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SCHEDULE FOR WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 8

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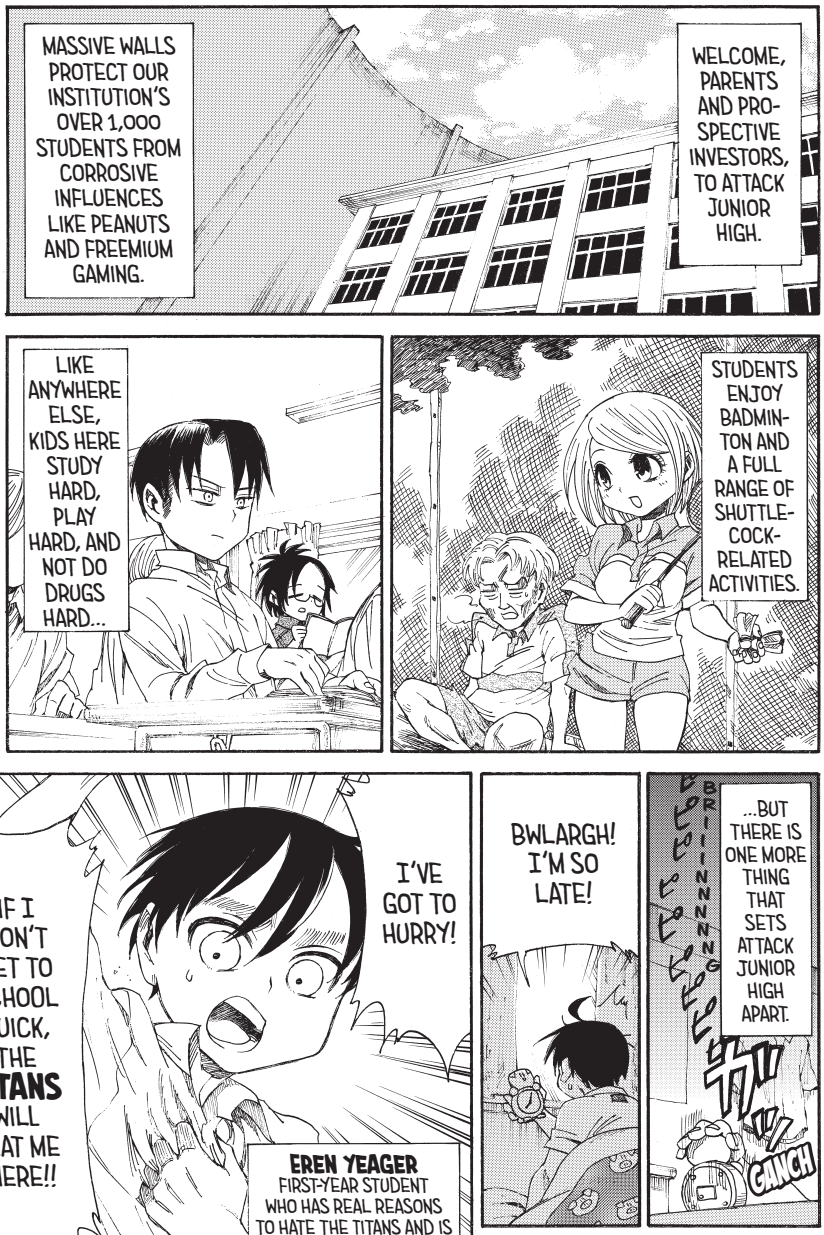

MASSIVE WALLS PROTECT OUR INSTITUTION'S OVER 1,000 STUDENTS FROM CORROSIVE INFLUENCES LIKE PEANUTS AND FREEMIUM GAMING.
WELCOME, PARENTS AND PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS, TO ATTACK JUNIOR HIGH.
LIKE ANYWHERE ELSE, KIDS HERE STUDY HARD, PLAY HARD, AND NOT DO DRUGS HARD...
STUDENTS ENJOY BADMINTON AND A FULL RANGE OF SHUTTLECOCK-RELATED ACTIVITIES.
IF I DON'T GET TO SCHOOL QUICK, THE TITANS WILL BEAT ME THERE!!
I'VE GOT TO HURRY!
EREN YEAGER
FIRST-YEAR STUDENT WHO HAS REAL REASONS TO HATE THE TITANS AND IS CERTAINLY NOT JUST A TWIT.
BWLARGH! I'M SO LATE!
BRI-INNNNG
...BUT THERE IS ONE MORE THING THAT SETS ATTACK JUNIOR HIGH APART.
CLNCH

FIELD TRIP 1: SHINY, SHINY JR. HIGH STUDENTS

WHAT A DAY TO OVER-SLEEP!
BAM!
OVER-SLEEP? IT'S 9:07.
YOU ARRIVED AT 9:23 YESTERDAY, AND 10:47 MONDAY. FOR YOU, YOU'RE EARLY...
THAT'S NOT THE POINT, MIKASA!!
MIKASA ACKERMAN
AUTHOR OF "JOURNAL OF EREN'S MOVEMENTS" VOLS. 1-27 AND THE UNPUBLISHED NOVEL "ADOPTED LOVER."
THIS WAS SUPPOSED TO BE THE DAY. IT'S TIME FOR...
...THE COOP DE GRASS!
WHAT?
IT'S FRENCH! I'M CULTURED!
GOTTA RUN, MIKASA!!
HEY!!
DASH!
"COOP DE GRASS"... WHAT?
WHAT'S HE TRYING THIS TIME?
IT'S GETTING ALL BLURRY...
EITHER THAT MARKER I SNIFFED'S KICKING IN, OR I'M RUNNING REALLY, REALLY FAST!

EREN...?
KRISTA ?!
KRISTA LENZ
SAME YEAR AS EREN. SUPER NICE, WITH A FACE THAT LAUNCHES ALL THE BOYS' GRAPPLER CABLES.
KI-BAM !!
SORRY! I'M IN AN IRRATIONAL HURRY. ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
YEAH, I THINK SO...
OH, EREN!
OH, KRISTA, WE CAN'T! YOU KNOW NICO-CHAN IS MY WAIFU!
WHAT?! NO, MY BREAD FELL...
SORRY, BUT COULD YOU USE THIS TO BUY ANOTHER?
WHAT? BUT I-
I WON'T GIVE IN TO YOUR CHARMS, 3D HUSSY!
HUH? EREN!
DASH
IS THIS... A BREATH MINT?
...
...AND DAD SAYS I SHOULD ONLY EAT OFF THE GROUND DURING WEBCASTS.

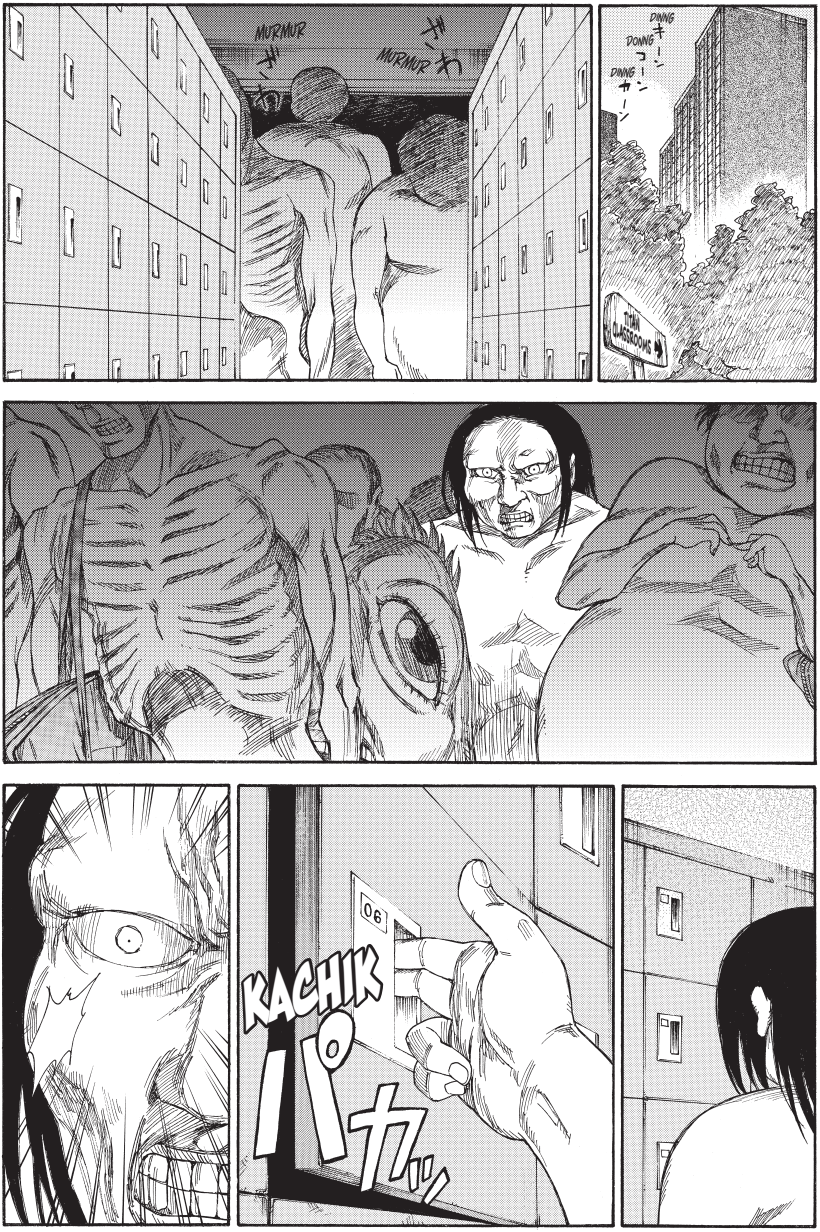
NO MORE DIS-TRAC-TIONS!
JUST KEEP YOUR EYES ON THE HORIZON, EREN!
DRAA AANG GUH-
KABAAAAM
OW, OW, OW! WHAT IS IT THIS TIME...?
OH!
SASHA !!
SASHA BLOUSE PREFERS "PICKY POOCH RINGWORM CONTROL BLEND".
URN... EREN...
A-ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
NO! LOOK WHAT YOU'VE DONE TO MY MELON!!
SORRY! DID YOU HIT YOUR HEAD?
NO, I MEAN MY ACTUAL MELON..
STOP
I WAS JUST STAND-ING IN THE ROAD EATING THIS WATER-MELON, WHEN...!
I PAWNED MY MOM'S DIALYSIS MACHINE TO GET THAT WATER-MELON!
BLEEECCH
I EXPECT COMPEN-SATION.
I'D LOVE TO DISCUSS IT, BUT ...
I JUST DON'T HAVE TIME TO TALK ABOUT YOUR MELON!!
GET BACK HERE, MELON WRECK-ER!!
DASH

WARP SPEED!! FASTER!! DRAW MORE LINES!!
DAM-MIT...
EREN... I... I CAN'T...
JEAN ?!
JEAN KIRSTEIN
EREN'S EVIL TWIN AND RICH KID POSER
YOU'RE COVERED IN BLOOD! MY GOD, WHAT HAVE I DONE?
NO, EREN, IT WASN'T YOU...
OUR DRIVER HAS THE DAY OFF AGAIN, SO I WAS WALKING ALONG, WHEN...
Daughter's quinceañera, my ass...
TMP TMP TMP TMP TMP TMP
BAM
THE BRUTE HIT ME SO HARD, MY GUTS EXPLODED OUT!
WHEN I CAME TO, I WAS DRENCHED IN GORE...
...AND SEEDS...
...JEAN, YOU IDIOT!! THAT'S ANOTHER WATER-MELON!!
BLEECH
ANOTH-ER...?
TURNS OUT STORES JUST LEAVE THEM ON SHELVES FOR YOU TO TAKE!

I MIGHT NOT MAKE IT TIME TO COMPLETE MY PLAN!!
I SHOULD'VE BEEN THERE A LONG TIME AGO...
I HOPE THOSE SEEDS SPROUT IN YOUR STOMACH !!
...FOR EVERY FULL-BODY TONGUE MASSAGE!
...FOR EVERY CHEESELOAF MUNCHED DOWN BEFORE ITS TIME...
THIS IS SUPPOSED TO BE THE MOMENT I PAY THEM BACK...
GLOOSH
SHIKK
YOU'LL TAKE ONE LOOK, AND FALL INTO DESPAIR!!
FOR WHEN YOU ARRIVE AT SCHOOL TODAY...
PREPARE YOURSELVES, TITANS...
OHHH, YES!

...BUT IT IS MY SOLEMN DUTY AS PART OF THE STUDENT COUNCIL TO STOP YOU!
AND YES, I KNOW WHAT WE'VE BECOME TO EACH OTHER.
STUDENT COUNCIL
WHA—?!
I'M SORRY, EREN. I KNOW YOU'RE HEADED FOR THE TITAN BUILDING.
ANNIE !!
ANNIE LEONHART
FIRST-YEAR COED IN THE STUDENT COUNCIL WANTED TO BE EREN'S ARCH ENEMY, BUT...
THERE IS NOTHING EITHER OF US CAN DO—
GRAB
YOU'RE TOUCHING ME.
I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE SAYING...
BUT ANNIE... THIS IS SOMETHING I HAVE TO DO!
UH... SWEATY ...
I'LL MAKE IT UP TO YOU ANOTHER TIME. ANYTHING YOU WANT...!!
GRIP
UNLESS... OH... PROMISE YOU'LL BE GENTLE ...
WHOOSH
THERE CAN BE NO EXCEPTIONS TO THE LAW OF THE COUNCIL!!
I SEE WHAT YOU'RE DOING! DON'T TRY TO UNSETTLE ME WITH THE PROMISE OF YOUR CLAMMY EMBRACE!

EYES OVER HERE, ANNIE...
UWAAAAH!!!
I'M AFRAID I CAN'T PROMISE THAT.
GRUNCH
WOULD YOU... PLEASE LET GO? I THINK THAT WAS MY TENDONS SNAPPING.
UH... EREN JUST CAME OUT OF NOWHERE, AND GRABBED MY...
CRAAACK
AND LASER EYES. AND CRUSHER HANDS. FOR CRUSHING.
YOU'VE AWAKENED THE DRAGON, ANNIE. AND THIS ONE HAS FANGS.
VICTORY IS AT HAND...!!
BUT NOW, AT LAST, I'LL FULFILL THE WISHES OF THE ENTIRE HUMAN RACE...
IT'S BEEN A LONG, HARD ROAD...
I GUESS MIKASA CAN COME IN HANDY AFTER ALL!!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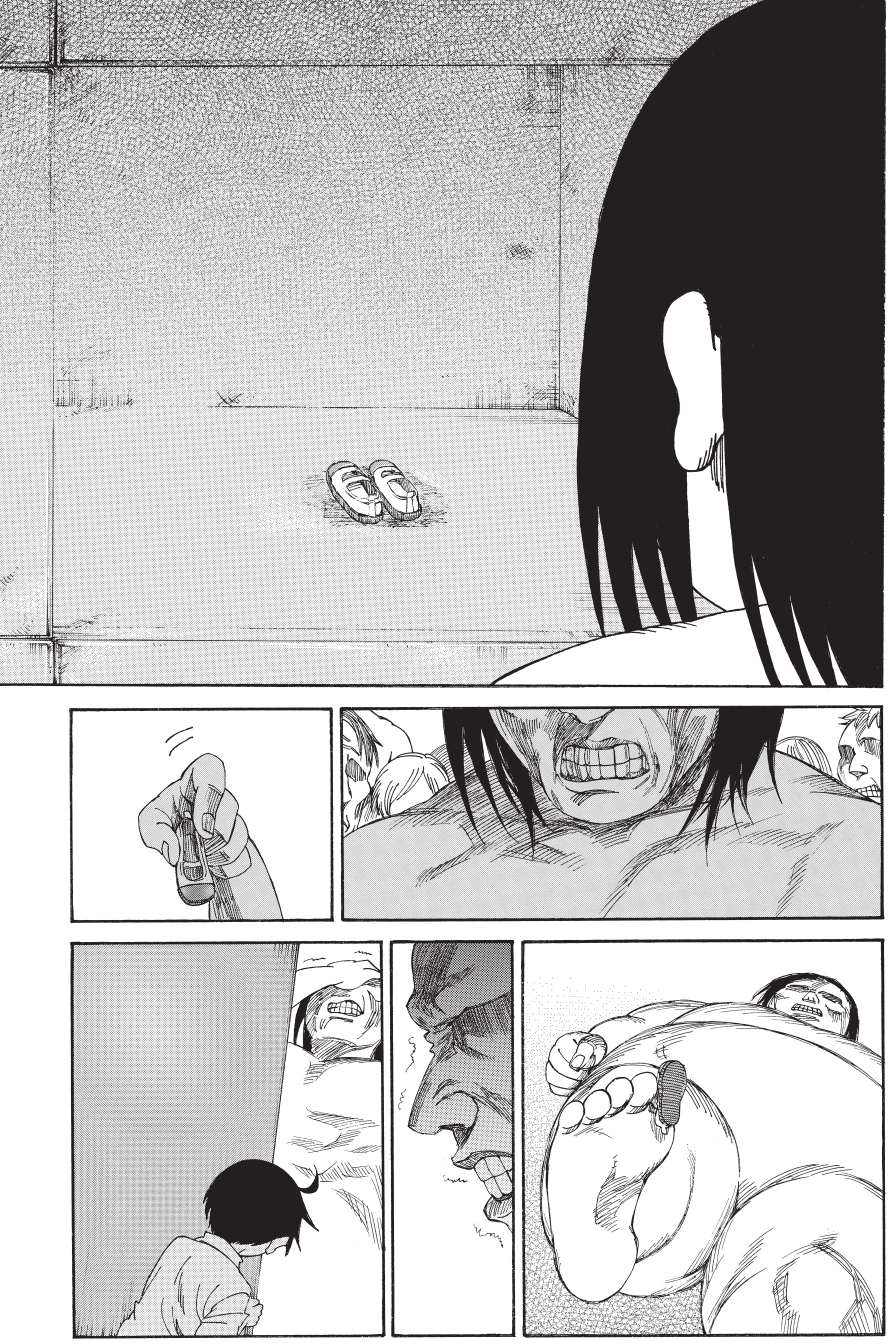

YOUR FEET ARE TOO BIG FOR THOSE SHOES!! NOW, EXPERI-ENCE THE HELL OF ETERNAL BLISTERS !!
BOOOOOOM
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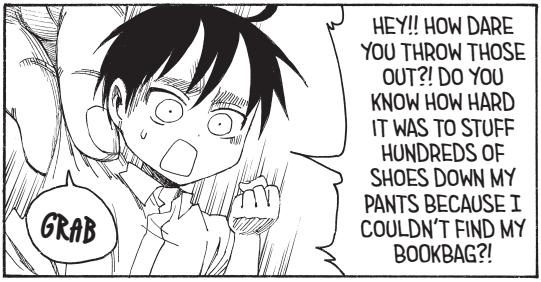
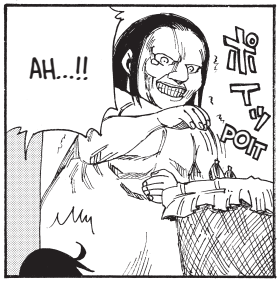
MWAHA HAHAHA HAHAHA HAHAHA HAHAHA HAHAHA -GAAASP- HAHAHA HAHAHA HAHAHA HAHAHA !!


GRAB
HEY!! HOW DARE YOU THROW THOSE OUT?! DO YOU KNOW HOW HARD IT WAS TO STUFF HUNDREDS OF SHOES DOWN MY PANTS BECAUSE I COULDN'T FIND MY BOOKBAG?!


AH...!!
ヒトツ
POT

EREN'S BATTLES ARE JUST BEGIN-NING!!
I'M SO TIRED OF BEING SUCKED ON BY GIANT MONSTERS!!
...This is worse than that Maurice Sendak fanfic...
DAM-MIT!
GRIND
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GLOOOOOOSH

BLEEEEUGH
...

UWAAAHH!!
SLURGH SLURGH SLURGH
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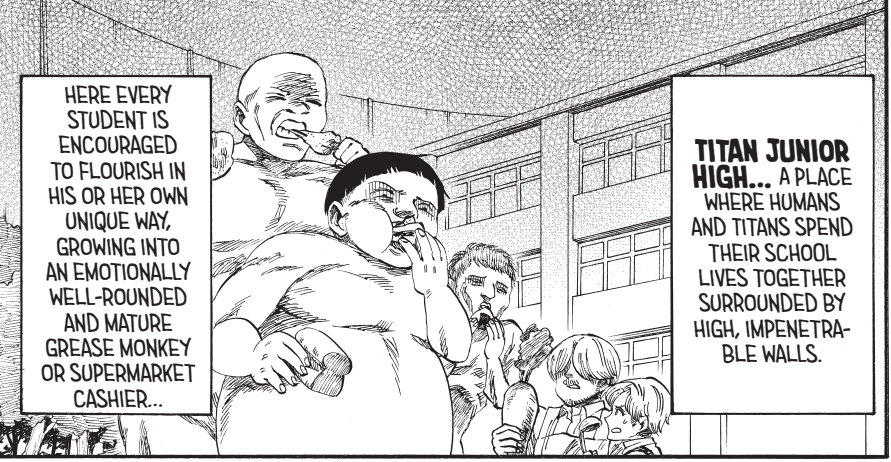
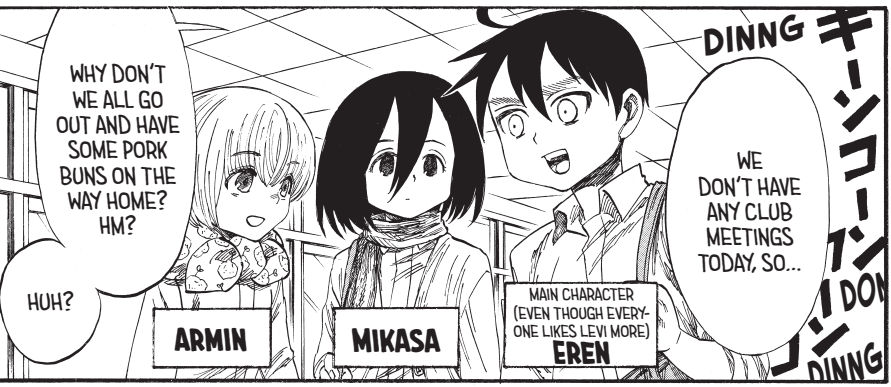
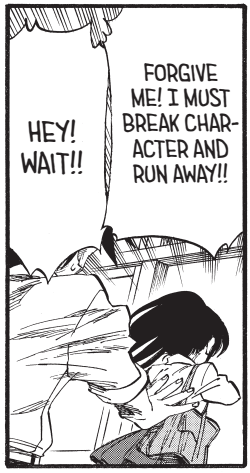
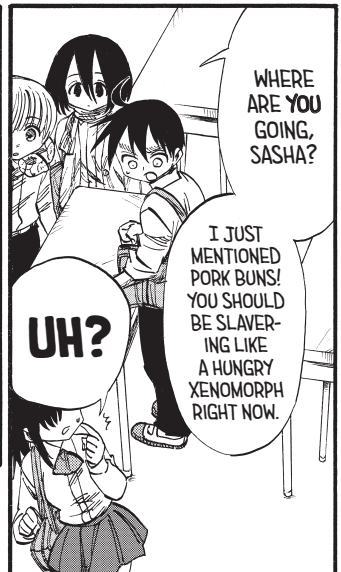

HERE EVERY STUDENT IS ENCOURAGED TO FLOURISH IN HIS OR HER OWN UNIQUE WAY, GROWING INTO AN EMOTIONALLY WELL-ROUNDED AND MATURE GREASE MONKEY OR SUPERMARKET CASHIER...
TITAN JUNIOR HIGH... A PLACE WHERE HUMANS AND TITANS SPEND THEIR SCHOOL LIVES TOGETHER SURROUNDED BY HIGH, IMPENETRABLE WALLS.


DINNG
キーンコーンカーンコーン
WHY DON'T WE ALL GO OUT AND HAVE SOME PORK BUNS ON THE WAY HOME? HM?
HUH?
WE DON'T HAVE ANY CLUB MEETINGS TODAY, SO...
ARMIN
MIKASA
MAIN CHARACTER (EVEN THOUGH EVERYONE LIKES LEVI MORE)
EREN

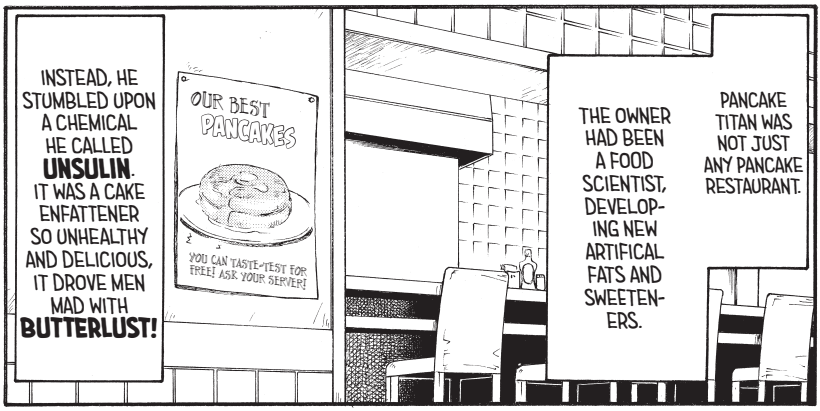
WELL, THIS IS QUITE A MYSTERY ...!
IT ALMOST SEEMS LIKE THE HOOK FOR A SILLY 18-PAGE SIDE STORY!

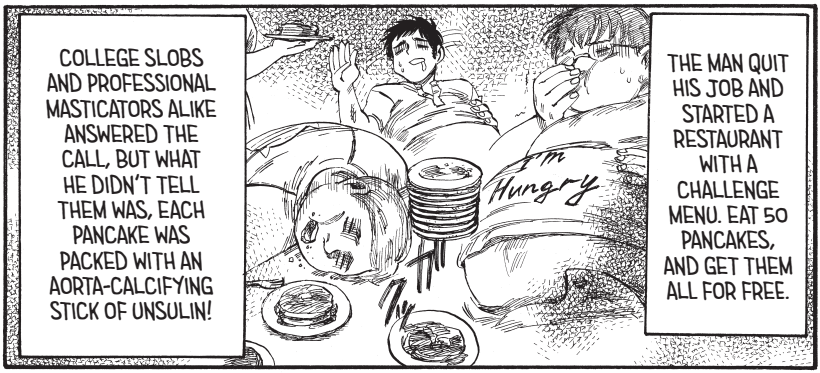

FORGIVE ME! I MUST BREAK CHARACTER AND RUN AWAY!!
HEY! WAIT!!

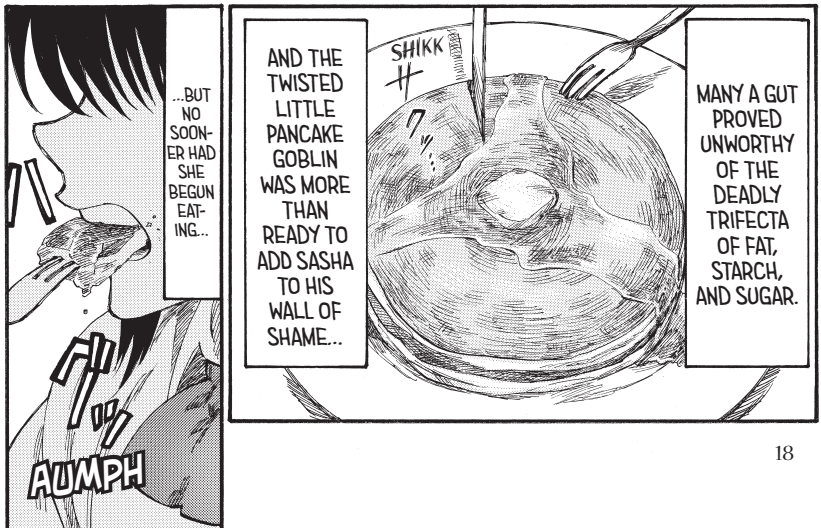

WHERE ARE YOU GOING, SASHA?
I JUST MENTIONED PORK BUNS! YOU SHOULD BE SLAVERING LIKE A HUNGRY XENOMORPH RIGHT NOW.
UH?

BURG
MEALS
Restaurant &
JUST WHAT HAS WALKING GARBAGE DISPOSAL SASHA GOTTEN HERSELF INTO THIS TIME?
FIELD TRIP 2: FOOD FIGHT! SASHA

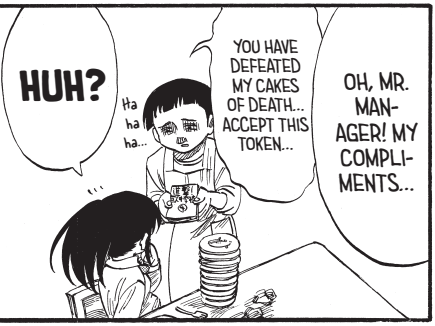
CHALLENGE MENU...? YOU MEAN WHERE A RESTAURANT WILL GIVE YOU A HUGE MEAL FOR FREE IF YOU CAN EAT IT ALL IN LIKE 30 MINUTES?
YEAH! NOW I CAN STOP DRESSING UP AS A PIGEON SO OLD PEOPLE WILL FEED ME BREAD CRUMBS!
I'VE DONE ALL THE CHALLENGE MENUS IN TOWN, EXCEPT FOR JUST THREE PLACES.
1st Year, Class 4
YES, I AM THE DREADED CHALLENGE MENU SMASHER!!
BUT WON'T THE RESTAURANT OWNERS FIGURE OUT IT'S YOU AND REFUSE TO SERVE YOU?
NO WAY! I HAVE THE PERFECT COVER!
I'M JUST TOO GODDAMN CUTE FOR THEM TO EVER SUSPECT ME!
EH HEH HEH
AT LEAST NOT UNTIL I START UNHINGING MY JAWS!
THAT... DOESN'T SOUND VERY CUTE TO ME...
TODAY'S VICTIM WILL BE...
PANCAKE TITAN
... "PANCAKE TITAN!" I WANT YOU INSIDE ME!

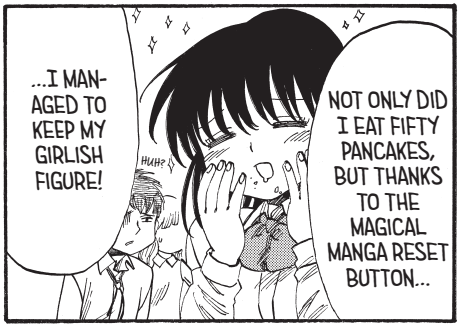

INSTEAD, HE STUMBLED UPON A CHEMICAL HE CALLED UNSULIN. IT WAS A CAKE ENFATTENER SO UNHEALTHY AND DELICIOUS, IT DROVE MEN MAD WITH BUTTERLUST!
OUR BEST PANCAKES
YOU CAN TASTE-TEST FOR FREE! ASK YOUR SERVER!
THE OWNER HAD BEEN A FOOD SCIENTIST, DEVELOPING NEW ARTIFICAL FATS AND SWEETENERS.
PANCAKE TITAN WAS NOT JUST ANY PANCAKE RESTAURANT.


COLLEGE SLOBS AND PROFESSIONAL MASTICATORS ALIKE ANSWERED THE CALL, BUT WHAT HE DIDN'T TELL THEM WAS, EACH PANCAKE WAS PACKED WITH AN AORTA-CALCIFYING STICK OF UNSULIN!
I'm Hungry
THE MAN QUIT HIS JOB AND STARTED A RESTAURANT WITH A CHALLENGE MENU. EAT 50 PANCAKES, AND GET THEM ALL FOR FREE.


...BUT NO SOONER HAD SHE BEGUN EATING...
AUMPH
AND THE TWISTED LITTLE PANCAKE GOBLIN WAS MORE THAN READY TO ADD SASHA TO HIS WALL OF SHAME...
SHIKK
MANY A GUT PROVED UNWORTHY OF THE DEADLY TRIFECTA OF FAT, STARCH, AND SUGAR.

AND THAT'S NUMBER FIFTY!! MM! DELICIOUS!!

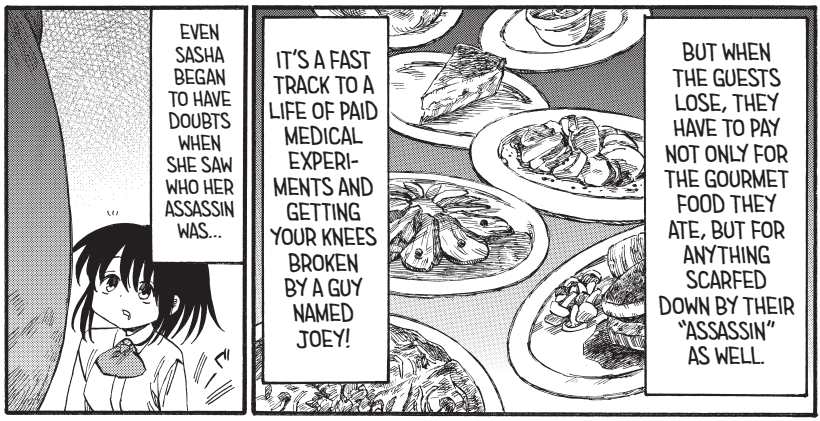

HUH?
Ha ha ha...
YOU HAVE DEFEATED MY CAKES OF DEATH... ACCEPT THIS TOKEN...
OH, MR. MANAGER! MY COMPLIMENTS...

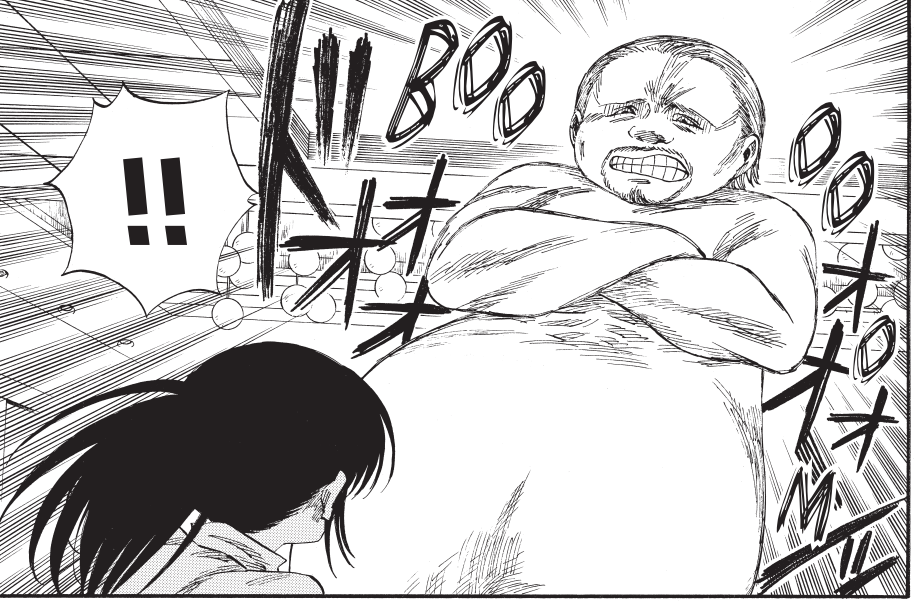

...I MANAGED TO KEEP MY GIRLISH FIGURE!
HUH?
NOT ONLY DID I EAT FIFTY PANCAKES, BUT THANKS TO THE MAGICAL MANGA RESET BUTTON...

HHSHK
AWAY WITH YOU, HELLMAW!!
OH, THAT'S ALL RIGHT! I'LL SETTLE FOR ANOTHER FIFTY PANCAKES!!
I can just reset again afterward.

Shingeki
SHINGEKI A LA MODE!
A HIGH-CLASS BUFFET RESTAURANT!
THE NEXT DAY...
AH, MY NEXT VICTIM!

NORMAL CUSTOMERS COMPETE AGAINST "ASSASSINS" HIRED BY THE RESTAURANT, AND SHOULD THE GUEST WIN, THEY GET EVERYTHING THEY ATE FOR FREE.
BUT ON WEEKENDS, THEY CLEAR ALL THAT CLASSY SHIT AWAY AND HOLD MASSIVE EATING CONTESTS.
THIS RESTAURANT IS NORMALLY A FASHIONABLE BUFFET SERVING HIGH-QUALITY FOOD IN A SOPHISTICATED ATMOSPHERE.


EVEN SASHA BEGAN TO HAVE DOUBTS WHEN SHE SAW WHO HER ASSASSIN WAS...
IT'S A FAST TRACK TO A LIFE OF PAID MEDICAL EXPERIMENTS AND GETTING YOUR KNEES BROKEN BY A GUY NAMED JOEY!
BUT WHEN THE GUESTS LOSE, THEY HAVE TO PAY NOT ONLY FOR THE GOURMET FOOD THEY ATE, BUT FOR ANYTHING SCARFED DOWN BY THEIR "ASSASSIN" AS WELL.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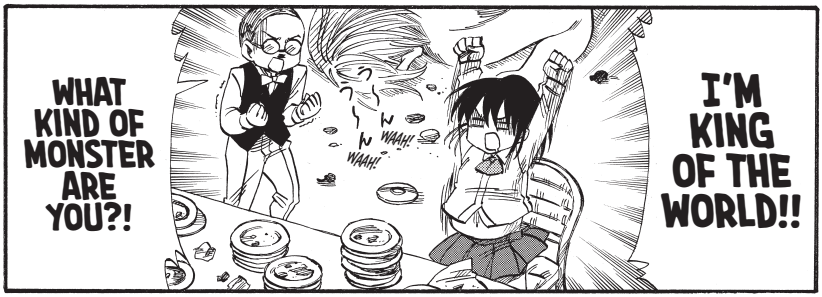
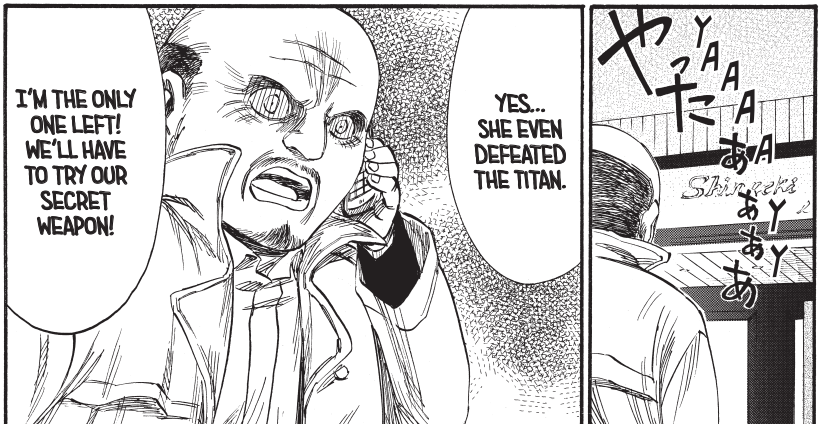
CATCH ME IF YOU CAN, TITAN!!
...MY POVERTY ONLY MAKES ME STRONGER!
GWOOM
ドオオオオオン!!


WHAT KIND OF MONSTER ARE YOU?!
WAAH!!
WAAH!
I'M KING OF THE WORLD!!


I'M THE ONLY ONE LEFT! WE'LL HAVE TO TRY OUR SECRET WEAPON!
YES... SHE EVEN DEFEATED THE TITAN.
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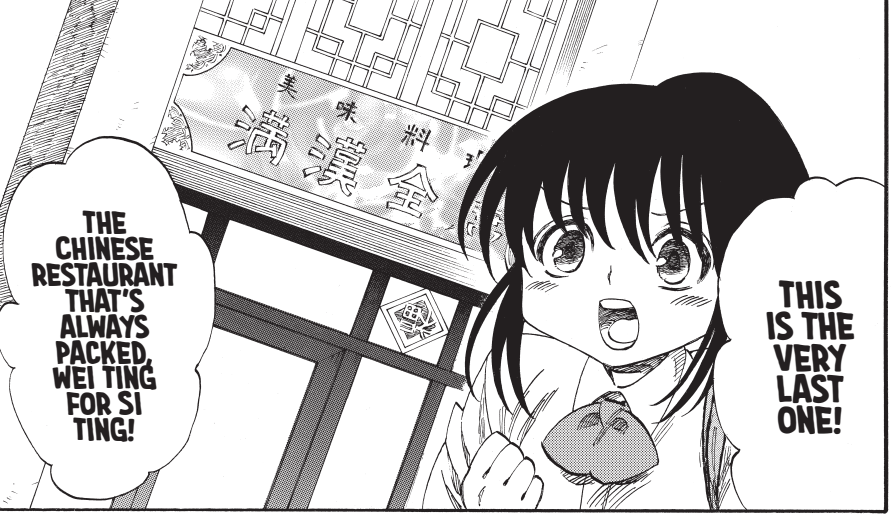
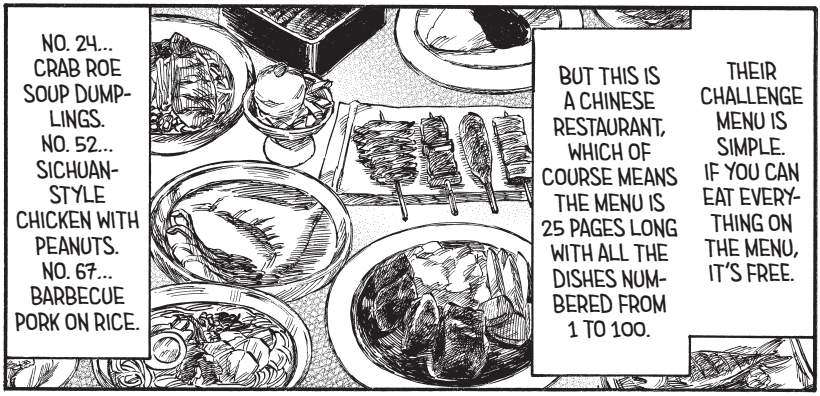
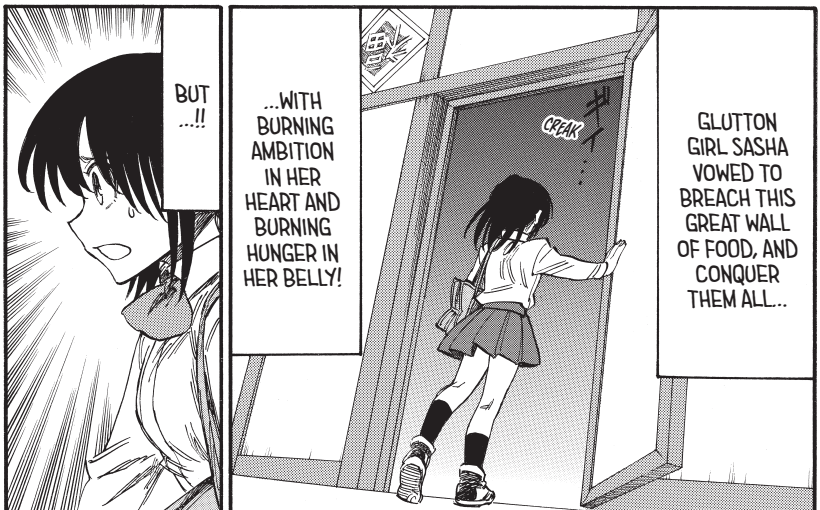
Shingeki


THIS IS THE VERY LAST ONE!
THE CHINESE RESTAURANT THAT'S ALWAYS PACKED, WEI TING FOR SI TING!

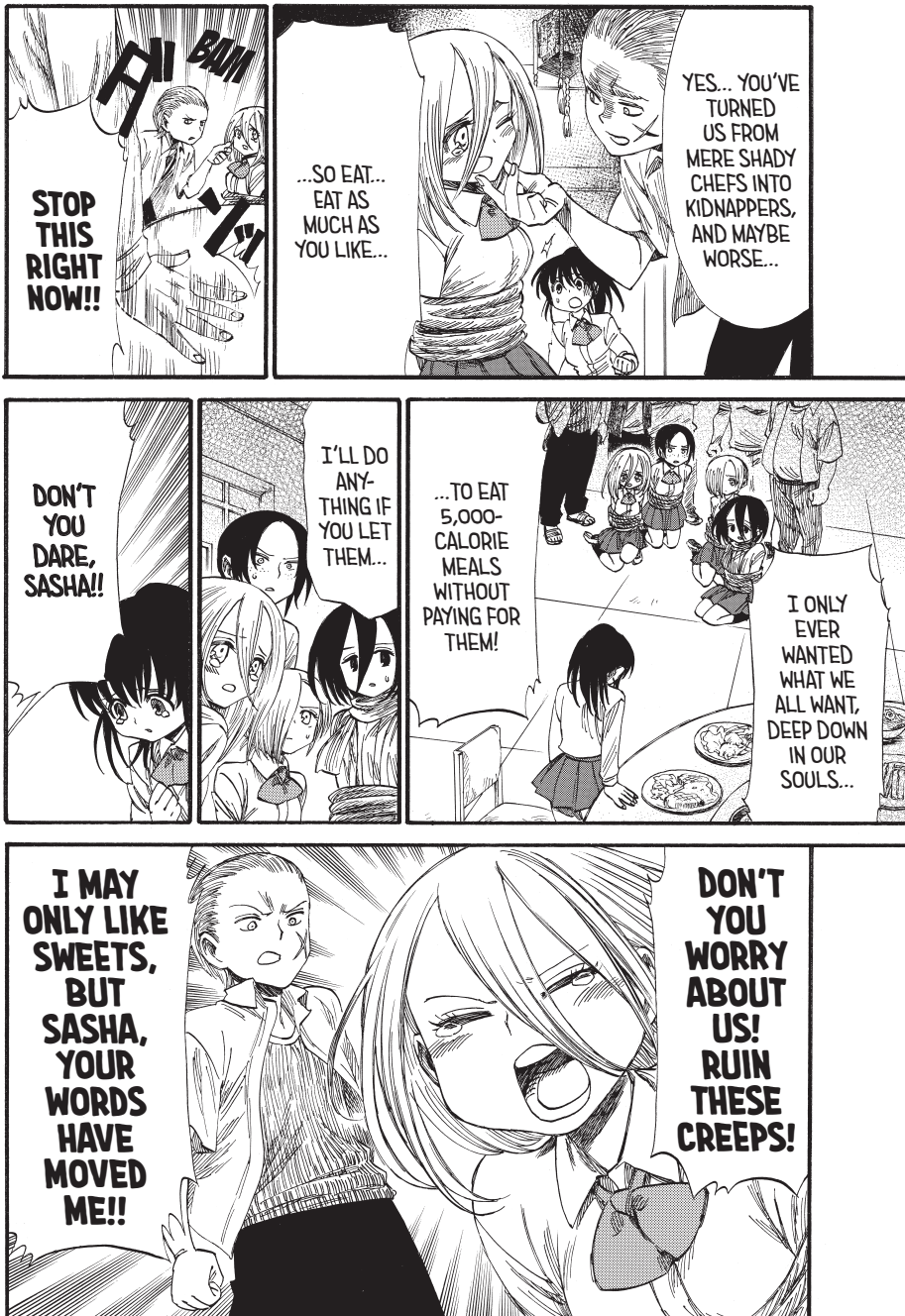

THEIR CHALLENGE MENU IS SIMPLE. IF YOU CAN EAT EVERYTHING ON THE MENU, IT'S FREE.
BUT THIS IS A CHINESE RESTAURANT, WHICH OF COURSE MEANS THE MENU IS 25 PAGES LONG WITH ALL THE DISHES NUMBERED FROM 1 TO 100.
NO. 24... CRAB ROE SOUP DUMPLINGS. NO. 52... SICHUAN-STYLE CHICKEN WITH PEANUTS. NO. 67... BARBECUE PORK ON RICE.


GLUTTON GIRL SASHA VOWED TO BREACH THIS GREAT WALL OF FOOD, AND CONQUER THEM ALL...
CREAK
...WITH BURNING AMBITION IN HER HEART AND BURNING HUNGER IN HER BELLY!
BUT ...!!

Y-YOU... GUYS...?

WELCOME, MISS. WE'VE BEEN... EXPECTING YOU.
SO YOU THOUGHT YOU COULD EAT YOUR WAY THROUGH ANOTHER FREE MEAL...?
WHAT'S GOING ON HERE?!
SKRRT!

GO AHEAD AND EAT YOUR FILL TODAY, YOUNG LADY...
DO YOUR BEST TO MEET TODAY'S CHALLENGE.
BUT FOR EACH BITE YOU TAKE...
...WE'LL TAKE A BITE OUTTA THESE GIRLS!!
WHA ?!
YES, YOU WERE RIGHT!! WE'VE BEEN USING OUR CHALLENGE MENUS TO ELIMINATE BIG EATERS!!
...WELL, YOUR HUGE STOMACH AND STUBBORN DETECTIVE WORK HAVE PAID OFF!! YOU'VE EXPOSED OUR CULINARY SADISM!!
I DON'T BELIEVE IT! EVERYTHING YOU MADE WAS SO TASTY.
ONLY TO FORCE YOU TO KEEP EATING UNTIL YOUR INTESTINES RUPTURE! BUT FOR SOME REASON YOU WERE ABLE TO RESIST!
AND NOW, YOU'VE FORCED OUR HANDS, YOU VORACIOUS VIXEN!!


BAM
STOP THIS RIGHT NOW!!
...SO EAT... EAT AS MUCH AS YOU LIKE...
YES... YOU'VE TURNED US FROM MERE SHADY CHEFS INTO KIDNAPPERS, AND MAYBE WORSE...
DON'T YOU DARE, SASHA!!
I'LL DO ANY-THING IF YOU LET THEM...
...TO EAT 5,000-CALORIE MEALS WITHOUT PAYING FOR THEM!
I ONLY EVER WANTED WHAT WE ALL WANT, DEEP DOWN IN OUR SOULS...
I MAY ONLY LIKE SWEETS, BUT SASHA, YOUR WORDS HAVE MOVED ME!!
DON'T YOU WORRY ABOUT US! RUIN THESE CREEPS!

WHAT WAS THAT, YOU BRAT?!
SO DIG DEEP!! FIND THAT SECOND STOMACH YOU DIDN'T KNOW YOU HAD!! EAT!!!
...OF ONE OF THOSE MUFFINS THAT THEY CALL "BREAKFAST" BUT ARE ACTUALLY JUST A BALL OF CAKE!! THEY WOULD DEFILE ALL OF THAT!
THE JOY OF A 12-SCOOP SUNDAE... OF A DOZEN WARM COOKIES...
NOW!!
ZWIPP
WHUD
UNF!!
SLURP
SLURP
SLURP
AUMPH
GULP
KACHANK
GRAB
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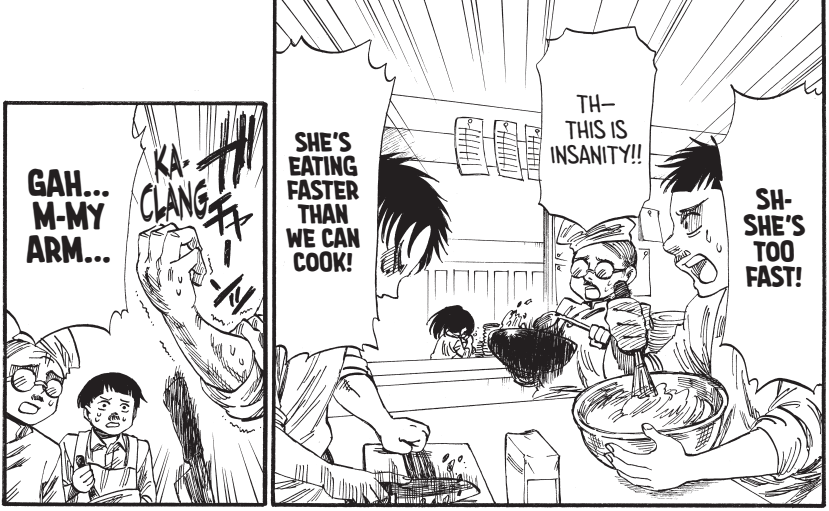
GAH... M-MY ARM...
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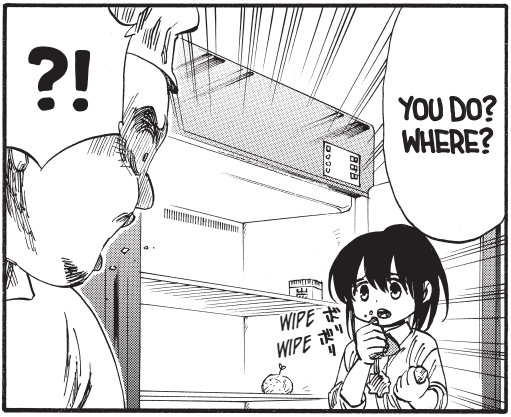
SHE'S EATING FASTER THAN WE CAN COOK!
TH— THIS IS INSANITY!!
SH-SHE'S TOO FAST!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YOU DO? WHERE?
WIPE WIPE
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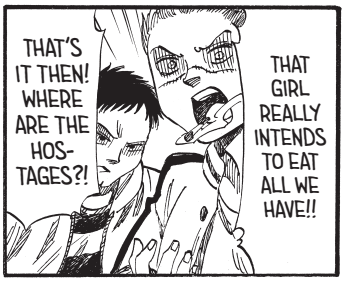
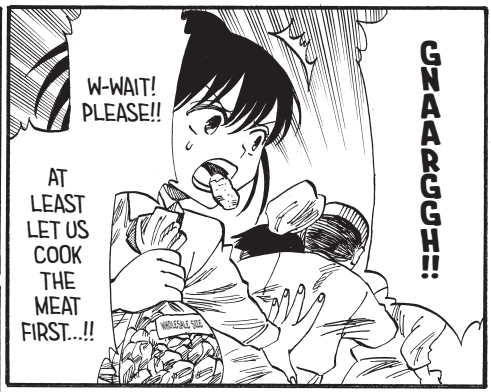
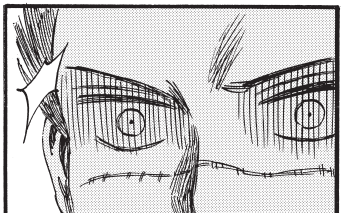
MY ARMS ARE TREMBLING TOO MUCH...
MINE TOO...
SHE'S ONE LITTLE GIRL, YOU WIMPS!!
WE STILL HAVE ENOUGH INGREDIENTS TO FEED AN ARMY BATTALION!


THAT'S IT THEN! WHERE ARE THE HOSTAGES?!
THAT GIRL REALLY INTENDS TO EAT ALL WE HAVE!!


GNAARGGH!!
W-WAIT! PLEASE!!
AT LEAST LET US COOK THE MEAT FIRST...!!



RETREAT! SHE'LL BE GNAWING OFF OUR LIMBS NEXT!!
Hmph.
WE'RE RIGHT HERE.
YOU ALL OKAY?
US? WE'RE FINE.
YOU, SASHA?
I'M ALL RIGHT, BUT...
I THINK I'M GOING TO GIVE UP CHALLENGE MENUS...
I MIGHT HAVE BEEN ABUSING MY STOMACH RESET BUTTON.
WITH GREAT POWER TO EAT UNLIMITED AMOUNTS OF FOOD AND STAY THIN COMES GREAT RESPONSIBILITY.
SASHA...
AND I CAN'T HELP BUT THINK THIS HAS SCARRED ALL OF YOU FOR LIFE...
DON'T WORRY! IT'S ALL RIGHT!!
THIS IS A SIDE STORY! NOTHING WE DO OR SAY HERE MATTERS ANYWAY!!
OH, YEAH!!
IN THAT CASE... WHO WANTS TO GET NAKED?
WEEKS LATER...

Do you believe in miracles?! It's a world record!!
WHAM
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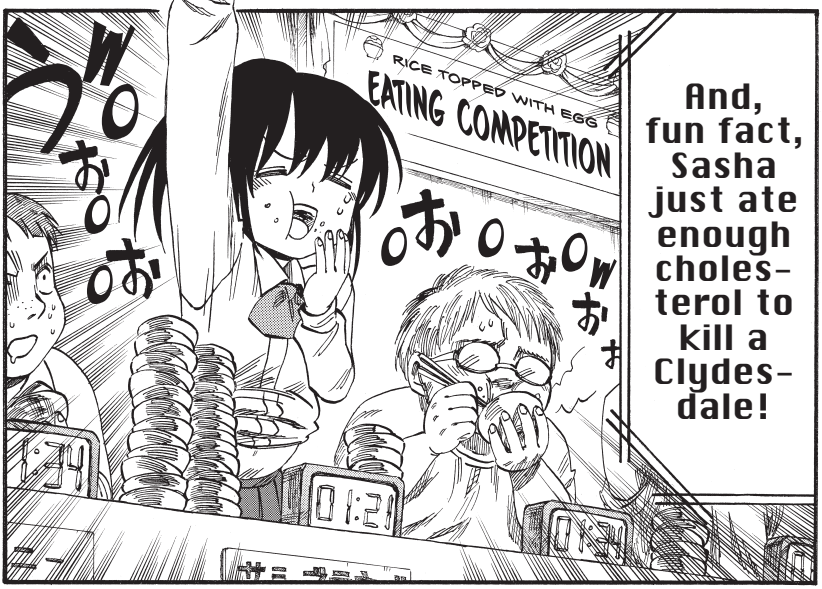
IN THE END, SASHA QUIT "CHALLENGE MENUS" FOREVER.


RICE TOPPED WITH EGG EATING COMPETITION
And, fun fact, Sasha just ate enough cholesterol to kill a Clydesdale!

EATING FOR FREE IS SO YESTERDAY!
I GET PAID FOR EATING IN THESE COMPETITIONS!!
...INSTEAD, SHE BECAME A LEGENDARY PRO COMPETITIVE OVEREATER.

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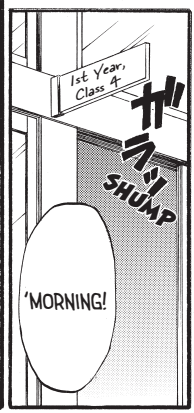
E-EREN, YOU DON'T KNOW?!
WHAT'S UP? IT'S NOISY THIS MORNING.


1st Year, Class 4
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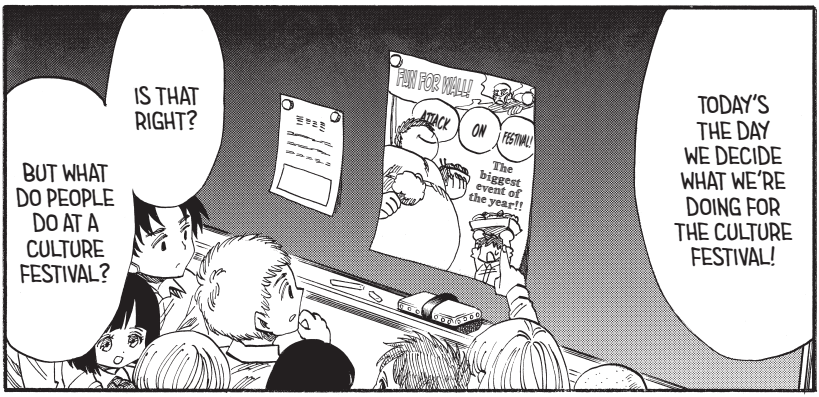
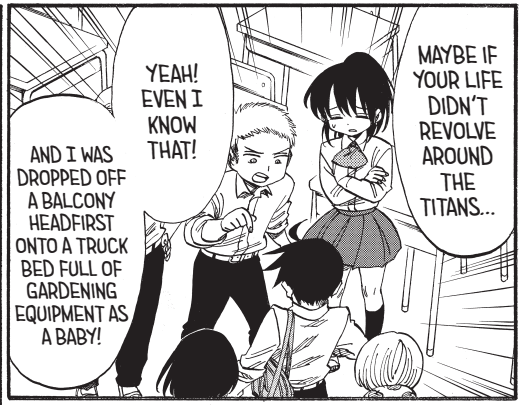
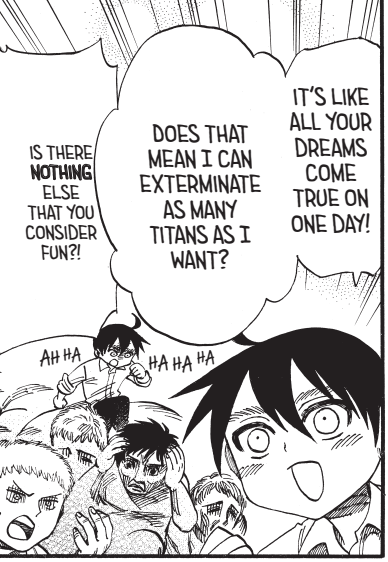
SHUMP
'MORNING!


FUN FOR ALL!
ATTACK ON FESTIVAL!
The biggest event of the year!!
TODAY'S THE DAY WE DECIDE WHAT WE'RE DOING FOR THE CULTURE FESTIVAL!
IS THAT RIGHT?
BUT WHAT DO PEOPLE DO AT A CULTURE FESTIVAL?


MAYBE IF YOUR LIFE DIDN'T REVOLVE AROUND THE TITANS...
YEAH! EVEN I KNOW THAT!
AND I WAS DROPPED OFF A BALCONY HEADFIRST ONTO A TRUCK BED FULL OF GARDENING EQUIPMENT AS A BABY!

HEY, LAY OFF! MY GRADE SCHOOL DIDN'T HAVE ONE!
WE HAD "ARBITRARY WRENCH BEATING DAY" INSTEAD!!
WELL, THAT EXPLAINS A LOT... FINE, I'LL TEACH YOU ABOUT CULTURE FESTIVALS.

A BUNCH OF BOOTHS WHERE THEY SELL THE MOST DELICIOUS FOODS!
EVENTS YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE SMART TO UNDER-STAND!!

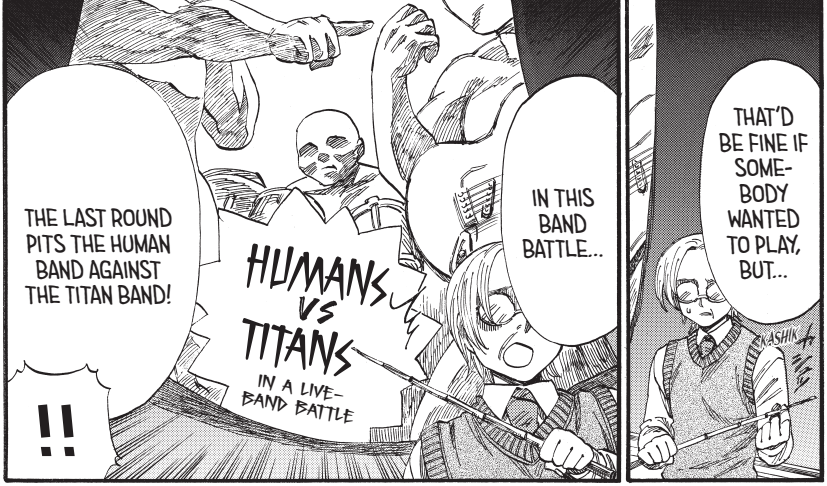


ALL MIXED UP IN ONE GLORIOUS DAY: THE CULTURE FESTIVAL!!

AND PROJECTS WHERE YOU AND YOUR SPECIAL SOMEONE CAN CLOSE THE GAP TOWARD ROMANCE!!

THIRTY-THIRD PERIOD: THE BLACK SCHOOL FESTIVAL

I... HURT...
My ulcer...
TEACH-ER!!
WHY DO YOU HATE SCHOOL FESTIVALS SO MUCH?!
WHAT TORTURE WILL THIS FESTIVAL SUBJECT YOU TO?!
THAT ISN'T IT...
WOBBLE
THE TORTURE ISN'T FOR ME. IT'S FOR ALL OF YOU.
!!
FWOOSH
THE CULTURE FESTIVAL BATTLE OF THE BANDS!!
Band Battle
HUMANS VS. TITANS
EVERY CLASS IS REQUIRED TO FORM ONE BAND AND SEND THEM INTO THE BATTLE!!
HUH? AND THAT'S A KIND OF TORTURE?
SO THE ONES WHO WANT TO PLAY SOME SONG CAN GO, RIGHT? WHERE'S THE PROBLEM?


THAT'D BE FINE IF SOME-BODY WANTED TO PLAY, BUT...
IN THIS BAND BATTLE...
HUMANS VS TITANS IN A LIVE-BAND BATTLE
THE LAST ROUND PITS THE HUMAN BAND AGAINST THE TITAN BAND!
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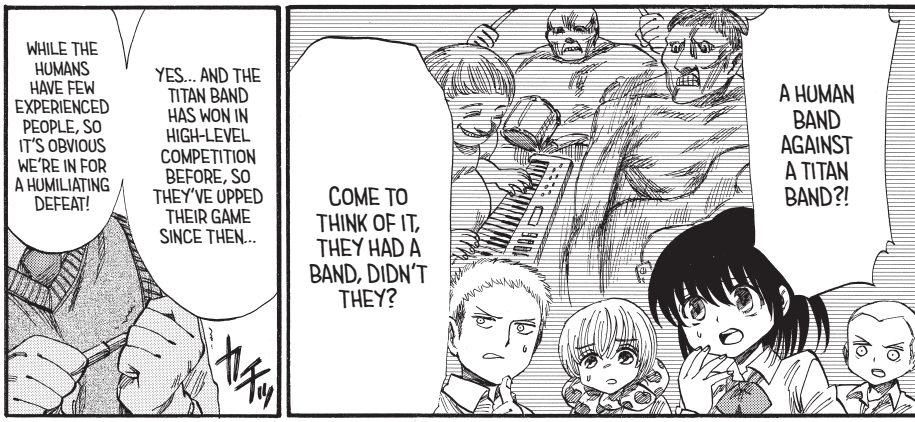
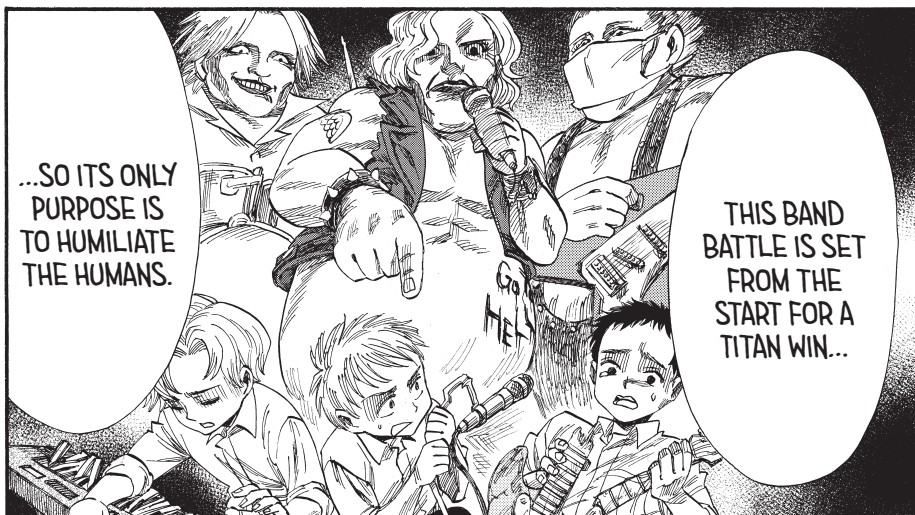
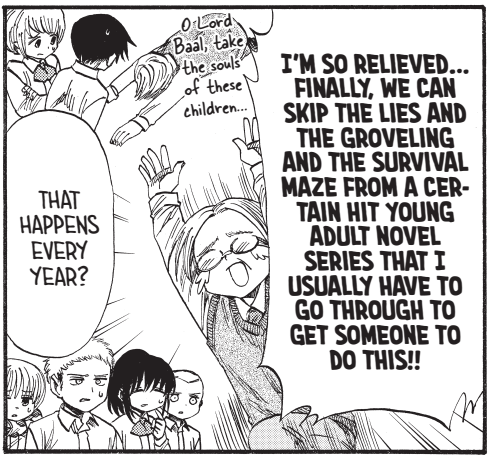

A HUMAN BAND AGAINST A TITAN BAND?!
COME TO THINK OF IT, THEY HAD A BAND, DIDN'T THEY?
YES... AND THE TITAN BAND HAS WON IN HIGH-LEVEL COMPETITION BEFORE, SO THEY'VE UPPED THEIR GAME SINCE THEN...
WHILE THE HUMANS HAVE FEW EXPERIENCED PEOPLE, SO IT'S OBVIOUS WE'RE IN FOR A HUMILIATING DEFEAT!


THIS BAND BATTLE IS SET FROM THE START FOR A TITAN WIN...
Go HELL
...SO ITS ONLY PURPOSE IS TO HUMILIATE THE HUMANS.

YOU'RE KIDDING... YOU'RE KIDDING...
NO WONDER NOBODY WANTS TO PARTICIPATE.
SO I'M REALLY SORRY. I KNOW PEOPLE LOOK FORWARD TO THE CULTURE FESTIVAL...
BUT SEVERAL PEOPLE FROM THIS CLASS...
...MUST BE SACRIFICED AT THE ALTAR OF ROCK.
EVEN IF YOU TRY YOUR HARDEST, YOU'LL STILL BE DEFEATED IN THE END.
I WANTED US TO FORM A BAND, BUT NOW...
WHAT FOOL WOULD ACTUALLY VOLUN-TEER FOR THAT?
NOBODY WOULD BE SO ABSURDLY STUPID.
SO I GUESS WE'RE JUST GOING TO HAVE TO DRAW LOTS TO...
SIR !!
WAAAH!
I VOLUN-TEER!
BOO
OOM!!
I knew it

EREN! CAN YOU EVEN PLAY AN INSTRUMENT?
SURE!! DON'T YOU REMEMBER?!
I WIELD THE THORN OF THE JOTUNS!
MINDS ARE BLOWN BY THIS WAND, MOLDED OF RED PLASTIC IN THE FORGES OF... SOMEWHERE IN CHINA PROBABLY!
FOR I AM EREN YEAGER, AND I CAN PLAY "ENTER THE SANDMAN" ON MY GRADE SCHOOL RECORDER!
GRIMP
WHY, THAT SOUNDS... BETTER THAN NOTHING!


I'M SO RELIEVED... FINALLY, WE CAN SKIP THE LIES AND THE GROVELING AND THE SURVIVAL MAZE FROM A CERTAIN HIT YOUNG ADULT NOVEL SERIES THAT I USUALLY HAVE TO GO THROUGH TO GET SOMEONE TO DO THIS!!
O Lord Baal, take the souls of these children...
THAT HAPPENS EVERY YEAR?

IF EREN'S THERE, I'LL HAVE TO BE THERE ANYWAY...
TWO'S ENOUGH FOR A BAND! WE'LL CALL YOU THE BLACK STRIPES!
OR THE WHITE KEYS.

BUT ONE RECORDER DOES NOT A BAND MAKE...
No matter how hardcore...
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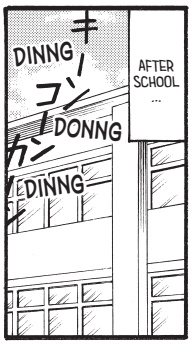
GLANCE

OKAY! LET'S GET PRACTICING!
SURE... THERE'S JUST... ONE THING I HAVE TO SAY, EREN...


AFTER SCHOOL ...
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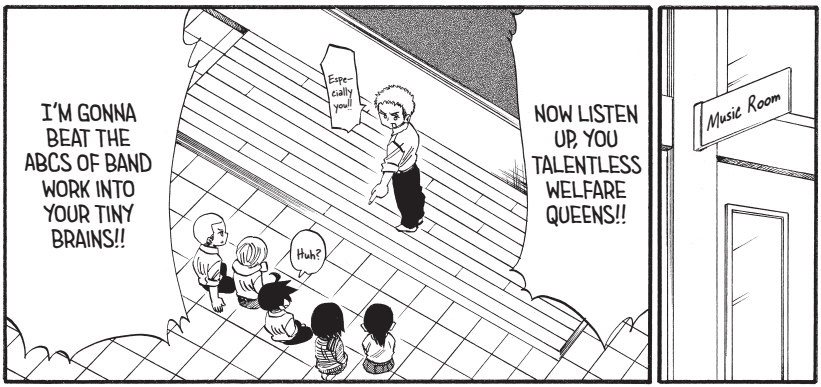
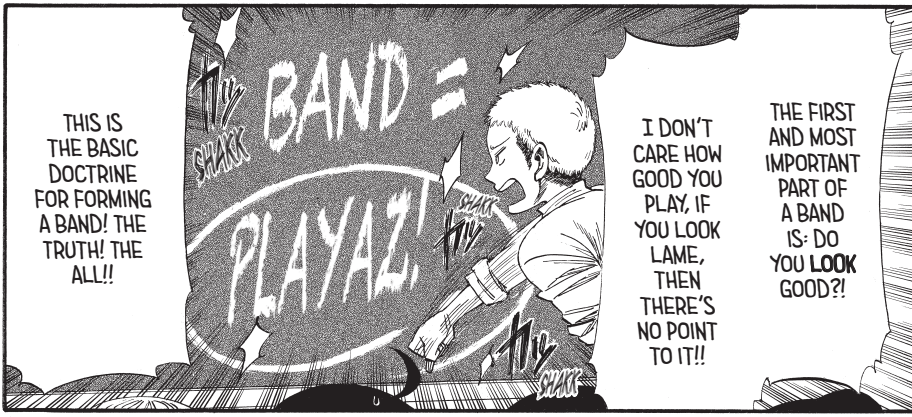
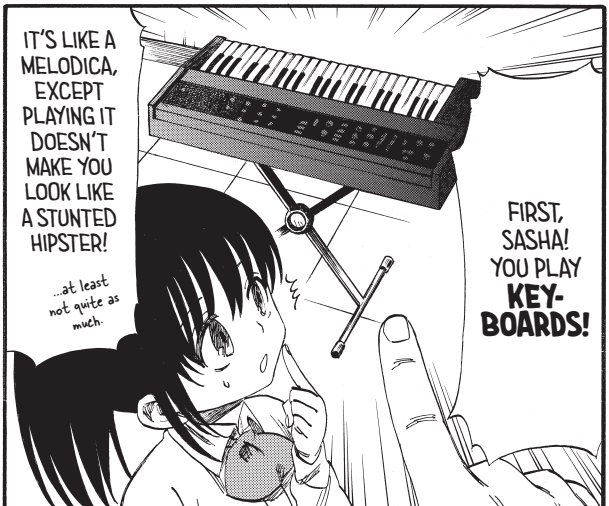
IN OTHER WORDS, WE'RE GOING TO NEED AT LEAST ONE MORE MEMBER FOR A BAND.
A REAL ROCK BAND NEEDS, AT THE VERY LEAST A VAIN GUITARIST, A BROODING BASSIST, AND A WEIRD LONER TO PLAY DRUMS.
NO, YOU CALL YOURSELF THAT ON REDDIT.
WHAT?! BUT THEY CALL ME THE WOOD-WIND O.G.!
YOU CAN'T PLAY A RECORDER IN THE BATTLE OF THE BANDS.
YOU DON'T HAVE TO COME OUT HERE TO MAKE FUN OF ME!! YOU DO THAT IN CLASS!
LIKE I SAID, YOU'RE LUCKY LITTLE BASTARDS!
YOU WANTED TO START A BAND AND YOU DON'T EVEN KNOW THE BASIC FORMULA?!
ALL THAT TITAN TALK HAS SHRUNK YOUR BRAIN.
JEAN!!
IT'S YOUR LUCKY DAY, LOWBORN WAST-RELS!
AWW, NO WAY...
NOW YOU NEED ONLY FALL DESPERATELY IN LOVE WITH ME!
SWEET MIKASA... YOUR ROCK PRINCE IS HERE TO SAVE YOU.
STRUM
...OH, AND YOU'LL ALSO NEED TO DITCH THAT RIDICULOUS RECORDER, OF COURSE!
YOU'RE JUST JUMPING ON THE BAND-WAGON!
JE-JEEEEAANNN
STANDING BEFORE YOU IS JEAN THE GUITAR HERO!! AND I MIGHT JOIN YOUR BAND, IF YOU ASK NICELY.

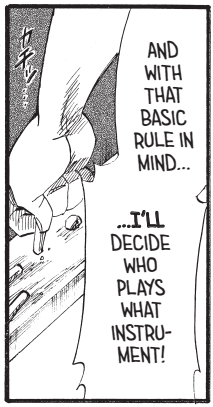
JEAN'S ALWAYS TALKING ABOUT HOW HIS FAMILY BELIEVES IN PRIVATE CHARITY. I GUESS THIS IS WHAT HE MEANS.
I kinda doubt it
BUUURRRRN
SO, NOW THAT WE HAVE THREE-PEOPLE ...
NO!! WAIT!! HOLD ON!!
PLINK PLINK
SASHA? CONNIE?
PLEASE, LET US BE A PART OF THE BAND TOO!!
THE TEACHER TOLD US...
...THAT IF WE WIN IN THE BATTLE OF THE BANDS, WE GET GIFT CARDS FOR THE FOOD BOOTHS!!
HE DIDN'T THINK YOU GUYS HAD A CHANCE IN HELL, SO HE DIDN'T MENTION IT TO YOU.
PLUS, ENTERING THE BATTLE IS FREE, SO SASHA HERE WON'T HAVE TO SELL ANYMORE SOILED KLEENEX TO THAT GUY IN CLEVELAND!
THAT'S GREAT, YOU TWO!
YEAH!! I JUST KNEW MY NATURAL CHARISMA WOULD BRING TOGETHER A DREAM TEAM!!
SO WE ENTER AS A FIVE-PIECE AND...
P-PLEASE WAIT A MOMENT ...!!
!!

I-IS THERE ROOM IN YOUR PARTY FOR...
...ONE MORE...?
WHAT'S THE MATTER, ARMIN? JUST COME OUT AND SAY IT!
M-MY GRANDPA SAID I NEEDED MORE EXTRACURRICULARS, BUT...
...I CAN'T PLAY ANYTHING...
YOU DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT THAT!
HOW'S YOUR DEATH GROWL?
Uh...
ANYWAY, THE ONLY THING I PLAY IS A MELODICA!
PWEET
AND ALL I CAN DO IS WHISTLE.
SEE, ARMIN? WE'LL FIGURE OUT SOMETHING FOR YOU TO DO.
NO PROBLEM!
...
HEY, QUIT TAKING ANY AMATEUR THAT COMES ALONG!!

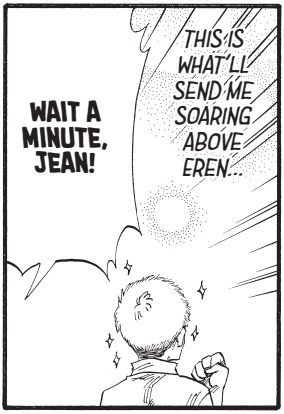

I'M GONNA BEAT THE ABCS OF BAND WORK INTO YOUR TINY BRAINS!!
Espe-cially you!!
Huh?
NOW LISTEN UP, YOU TALENTLESS WELFARE QUEENS!!
Music Room

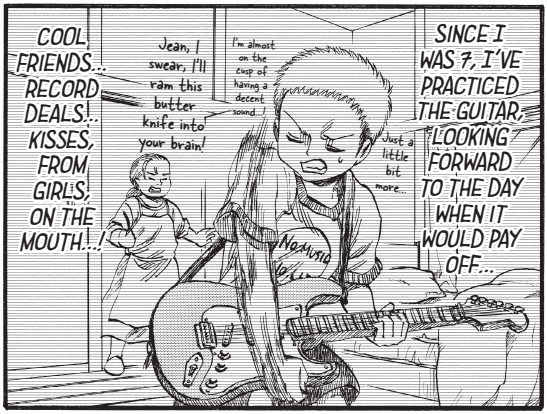

THIS IS THE BASIC DOCTRINE FOR FORMING A BAND! THE TRUTH! THE ALL!!
TIN SHAK
BAND =
PLAYAZ!
SHAK TIN
TIN SHAK
I DON'T CARE HOW GOOD YOU PLAY, IF YOU LOOK LAME, THEN THERE'S NO POINT TO IT!!
THE FIRST AND MOST IMPORTANT PART OF A BAND IS: DO YOU LOOK GOOD?!


IT'S LIKE A MELODICA, EXCEPT PLAYING IT DOESN'T MAKE YOU LOOK LIKE A STUNTED HIPSTER!
...at least not quite as much.
FIRST, SASHA! YOU PLAY KEY-BOARDS!

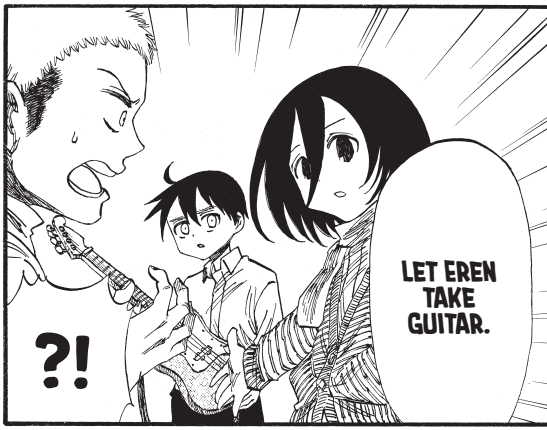

AND WITH THAT BASIC RULE IN MIND...
...I'LL DECIDE WHO PLAYS WHAT INSTRU-MENT!

AND YOU, EREN...
YOU DON'T HAVE TO TRY TO BE NICK PEART. JUST BANG ON THEM WITH YOUR EYES CLOSED AND TRY NOT TO LOSE THE STICKS.
NEXT, CONNIE!! YOU PLAY DRUMS!
Shingeki
WELL! I GUESS YOU FINALLY REALIZE WHAT I CAN DO!
IMPOR-TANT, HUH?
THAT'S ALL!! NOW GET TO YOUR POSITIONS !!
YOU ARE ON BASS !!
BASS IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT TO MUSIC.
EVERYONE KNOWS BASS IS A LAMEASS JOB FOR RUBES WITH OVERBITES AND POOR SCALP HYGIENE!* AND HE'S ACTUALLY HAPPY ABOUT IT!!
BASS<DRUMS<KEYBOARDS<GUITAR<VOCALS
BAND MEMBERS, RANKED IN ORDER OF POPULARITY GO...
HA! THE JOKE'S ON YOU, DIRT FOR BRAINS!
I get the feeling it goes the other way.
Like this?
*CAUTION: THIS OPINION IS A PRODUCT OF JEAN'S BRAIN, AND AS A RESULT IT BEARS ONLY A PASSING RESEMBLANCE TO REALITY.


WAIT A MINUTE, JEAN!
THIS IS WHAT'LL SEND ME SOARING ABOVE EREN...


COOL FRIENDS... RECORD DEALS!.. KISSES, FROM GIRLS, ON THE MOUTH!..
Jean, I swear, I'll ram this butter knife into your brain!
I'm almost on the cusp of having a decent sound...!
Just a little bit more...
SINCE I WAS 7, I'VE PRACTICED THE GUITAR, LOOKING FORWARD TO THE DAY WHEN IT WOULD PAY OFF...

YOU CAN TEACH HIM, JEAN.
I JUST MEAN, IF BASS IS SIMPLE ...
N-N-N-NO, THE GUITAR IS ESPECIALLY DIFFICULT FOR AN AMATEUR TO PLAY...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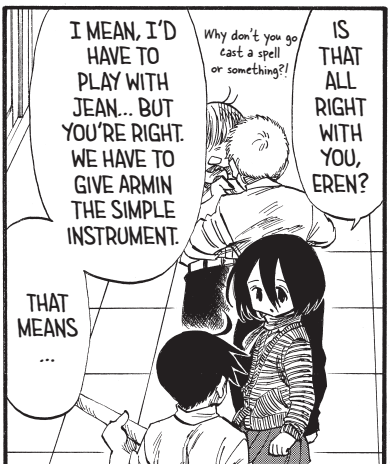
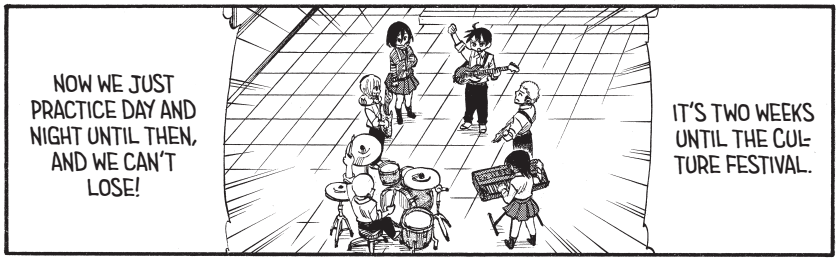
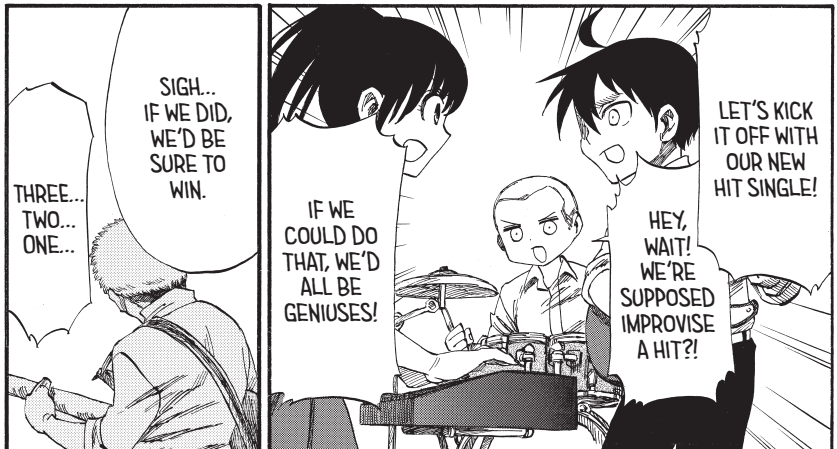
LET EREN TAKE GUITAR.


I MEAN, I'D HAVE TO PLAY WITH JEAN... BUT YOU'RE RIGHT. WE HAVE TO GIVE ARMIN THE SIMPLE INSTRUMENT.
THAT MEANS ...
Why don't you go cast a spell or something?!
IS THAT ALL RIGHT WITH YOU, EREN?

...THEN YOU SHOULD GIVE THAT PART TO ARMIN.
Sorry!

I NOW DECLARE THE ANTI-TITAN, 1ST YEAR, CLASS 4 BAND...
...FORMED!!


IT'S TWO WEEKS UNTIL THE CULTURE FESTIVAL.
NOW WE JUST PRACTICE DAY AND NIGHT UNTIL THEN, AND WE CAN'T LOSE!


LET'S KICK IT OFF WITH OUR NEW HIT SINGLE!
HEY, WAIT! WE'RE SUPPOSED IMPROVISE A HIT?!
IF WE COULD DO THAT, WE'D ALL BE GENIUSES!
SIGH... IF WE DID, WE'D BE SURE TO WIN.
THREE... TWO... ONE...

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BYARR!!
NYAH!
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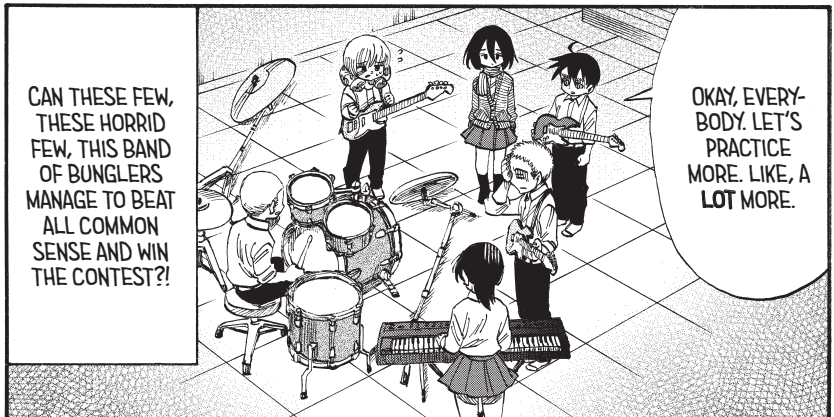
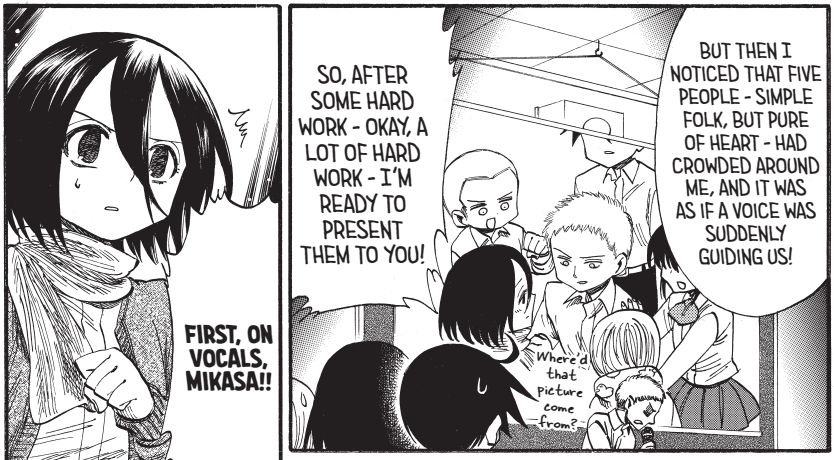
GY-OUUN
JWEOON

I'D PLAY BETTER IF I HAD A TURKEY LEG...
WAIT! AM I SUPPOSED TO USE BOTH HANDS?
PLINK
PLUNK

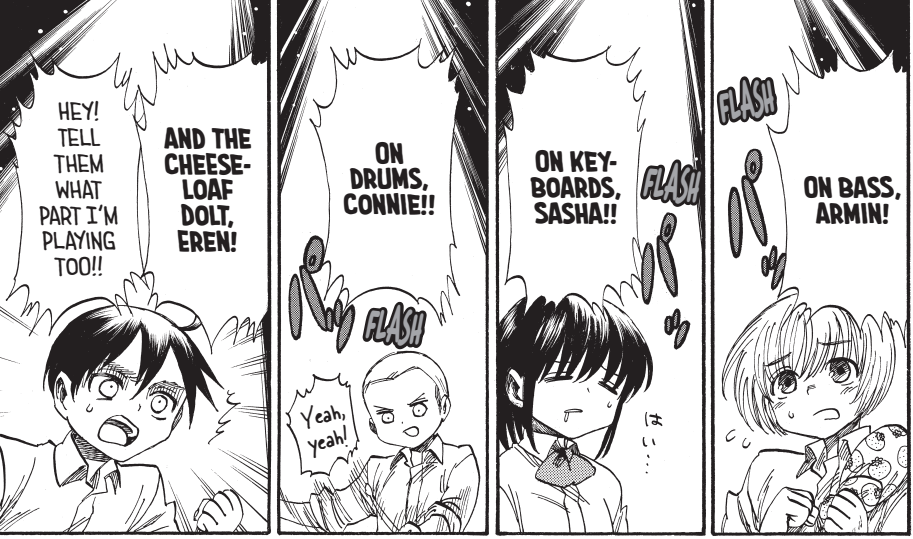
KACHAAAANG
HYAAH!!
Shinyuki


CAN THESE FEW, THESE HORRID FEW, THIS BAND OF BUNGLERS MANAGE TO BEAT ALL COMMON SENSE AND WIN THE CONTEST?!
OKAY, EVERYBODY. LET'S PRACTICE MORE. LIKE, A LOT MORE.

AND WE STILL HAVE A WEEK UNTIL THE CONTEST...
WOW, WE'VE ALL GOTTEN SO MUCH BETTER SINCE THE END OF THE LAST PAGE, HUH?
JA-JAAAN
SO WE CAN COMPLETELY EXPECT TO WIN THIS!!
YOU IGNORANT LITTLE RADISH-HEAD!!
WE'RE DOING NOTHING MORE RIGHT NOW THAN SIMPLY SITTING ON THE STARTING LINE!
WHAT COMES NEXT IS WHAT'S IMPORTANT!
WHAT MATTERS IS YOUR SHOWMANSHIP!! WHAT DO YOU BRING THAT NO ONE ELSE CAN?!
SHOWMANSHIP..?
YOU MEAN LIKE PLAYING YOUR GUITAR BEHIND YOUR BACK?
OR GETTING A DJ TO FLAIL AROUND BEHIND YOU?
OR SUDDENLY HAVING A GUY START RAPPING FOR NO REAL REASON?
YOU GOT IT! EXACTLY !!
WHOOSH
NOW I'LL SHOW WHAT I'VE BEEN SAVING FOR JUST THIS OCCASION!!



THIRTY-FOURTH PERIOD: FOREVER ME


HEY! TELL THEM WHAT PART I'M PLAYING TOO!!
AND THE CHEESE-LOAF DOLT, EREN!
ON DRUMS, CONNIE!!
FLASH!
Yeah, yeah!
ON KEY-BOARDS, SASHA!!
FLASH!
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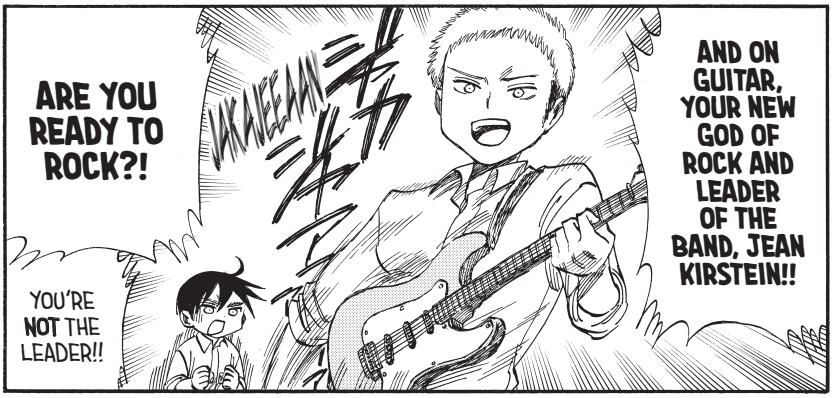
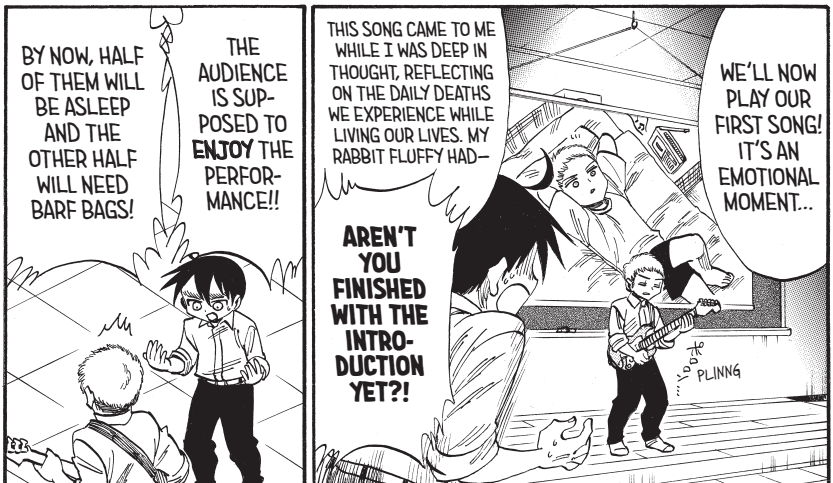
FLASH!
ON BASS, ARMIN!

Air drums.


ARE YOU READY TO ROCK?!
YOU'RE NOT THE LEADER!!
AND ON GUITAR, YOUR NEW GOD OF ROCK AND LEADER OF THE BAND, JEAN KIRSTEIN!!


BY NOW, HALF OF THEM WILL BE ASLEEP AND THE OTHER HALF WILL NEED BARF BAGS!
THE AUDIENCE IS SUP-POSED TO ENJOY THE PERFOR-MANCE!!
THIS SONG CAME TO ME WHILE I WAS DEEP IN THOUGHT, REFLECTING ON THE DAILY DEATHS WE EXPERIENCE WHILE LIVING OUR LIVES. MY RABBIT FLUFFY HAD—
AREN'T YOU FINISHED WITH THE INTRO-DUCTION YET?!
WE'LL NOW PLAY OUR FIRST SONG! IT'S AN EMOTIONAL MOMENT...
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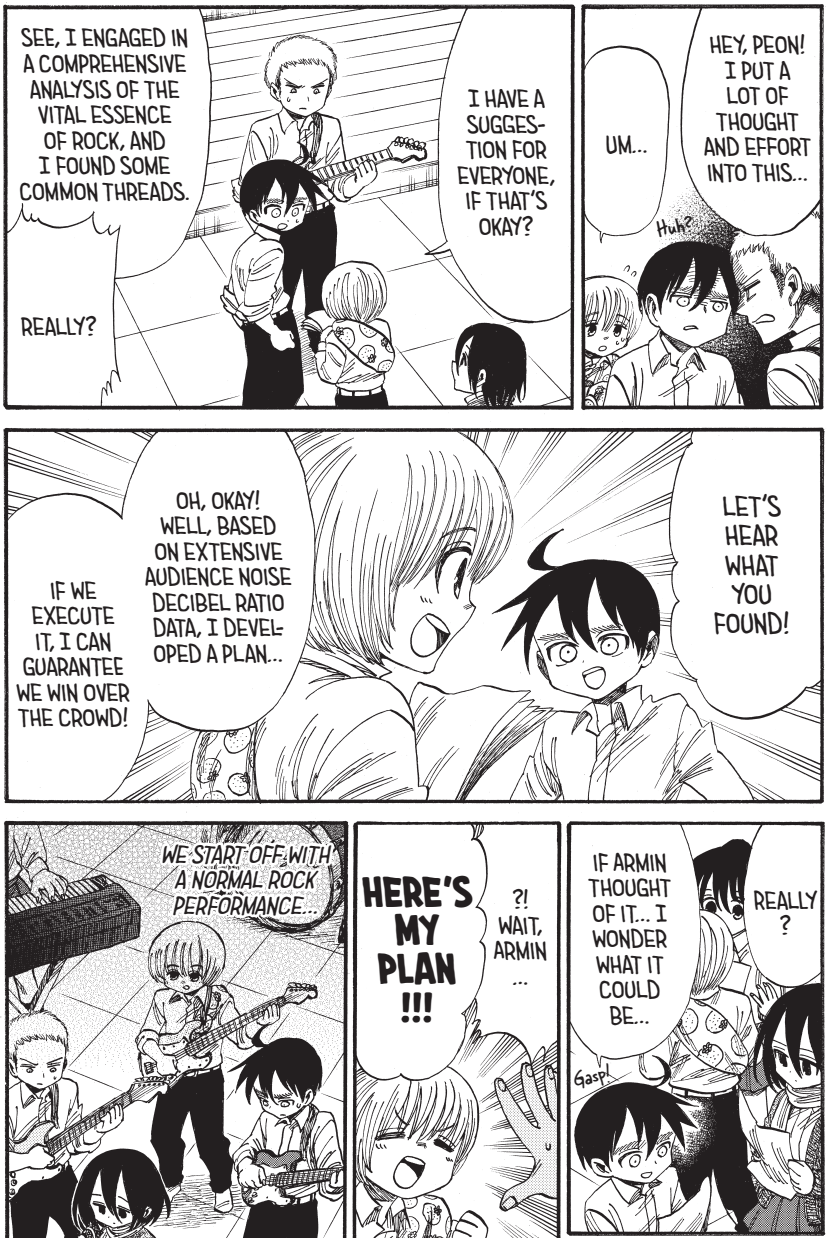
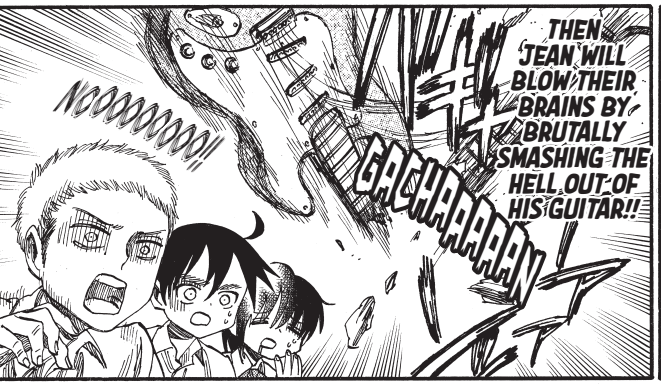

SEE, I ENGAGED IN A COMPREHENSIVE ANALYSIS OF THE VITAL ESSENCE OF ROCK, AND I FOUND SOME COMMON THREADS.
REALLY?
I HAVE A SUGGESTION FOR EVERYONE, IF THAT'S OKAY?
HEY, PEON! I PUT A LOT OF THOUGHT AND EFFORT INTO THIS...
UM...
Huh?
LET'S HEAR WHAT YOU FOUND!
OH, OKAY! WELL, BASED ON EXTENSIVE AUDIENCE NOISE DECIBEL RATIO DATA, I DEVELOPED A PLAN...
IF WE EXECUTE IT, I CAN GUARANTEE WE WIN OVER THE CROWD!
WE START OFF WITH A NORMAL ROCK PERFORMANCE...
HERE'S MY PLAN !!!
?! WAIT, ARMIN ...
REALLY ?
IF ARMIN THOUGHT OF IT... I WONDER WHAT IT COULD BE...
Gasp!



THE AUDIENCE TOTALLY LOSE THEIR SHIT!!
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THE SHRIEKS OF PLEASURE AND PAIN, THE BLOOD, FLUIDS, AND FIRE COMBINE INTO AN ORGY OF PURE ROCK SENSATION!
THEN WE SET THE CORPSE OF JEAN'S GUITAR ON FUCKING FIRE!!
WE'VE HAD TO MAKE MANY SACRIFICES TO GET TO WHERE WE ARE NOW.
AS YOU SAW, WE JUST SACRIFICED JEAN'S GUITAR TO THE DEMONS OF ROCK.
ONLY NOW, WITH THEIR POWER, CAN WE FINALLY SING OUR NEXT SONG...
AND ASSUMING THAT OUR MC DOES A PERFECT JOB...
REMEMBER WHAT OUR SONGWRITER JEAN'S STYLE IS...
THE EASIEST ONE... "ADULT CONTEMPORARY."
ARMIN !!
...WE WON'T JUST WIN!! WE'LL BE LEGENDS !!!!

I SUPPOSE THE BONFIRE IS A TAD RISKY.
OKAY, INSTEAD, WE'LL USE FIRE HOSES TO SPRAY THE AUDIENCE WITH PIG'S BLOOD...
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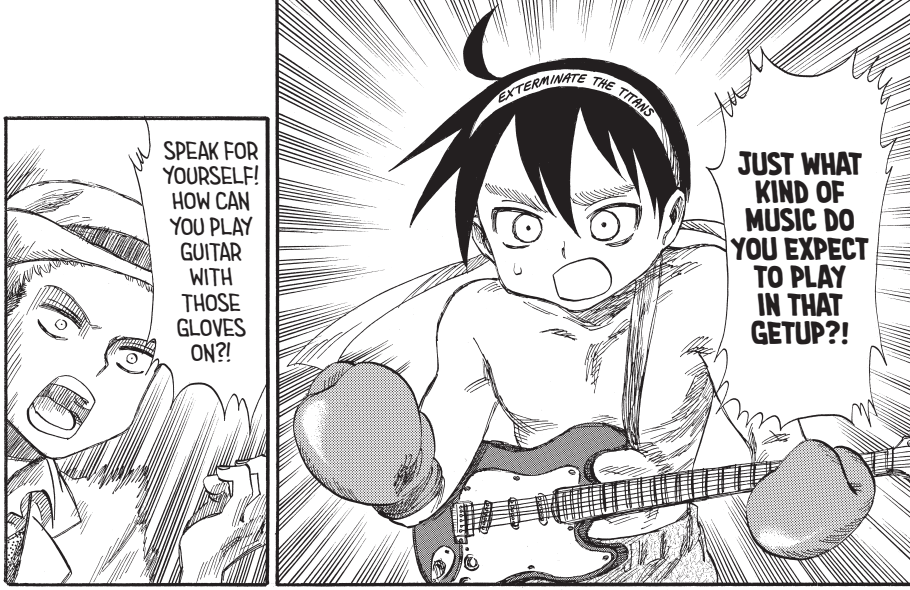
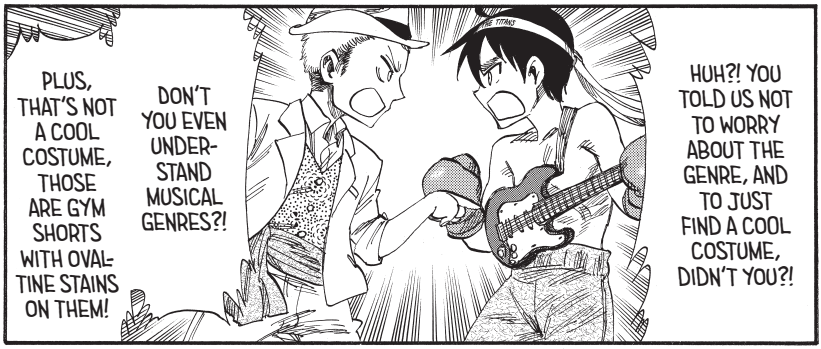
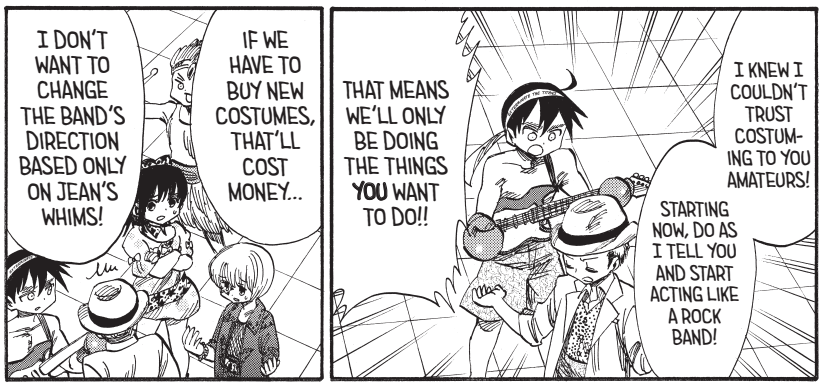
NO.
WITH THAT OUT OF THE WAY...
THE BAND FACED THE NEXT OBSTACLE TO THEIR EXIS-TENCE.
WILL YOU GUYS GET SERIOUS?!
Music Room
EXACTLY WHAT KIND OF BAND ARE WE ?!
I REAL-IZE THAT SHOWMANSHIP IS A BIG PART OF IT, AND SO EVERYONE IS TRYING TO FIND APPROPRIATE CLOTHES...
...BUT DID YOU ALL JUST RAID THE DUMPSTER BEHIND THE HAL-LOWEEN STORE?!


EXTERMINATE THE TITANS
JUST WHAT KIND OF MUSIC DO YOU EXPECT TO PLAY IN THAT GETUP?!
SPEAK FOR YOURSELF! HOW CAN YOU PLAY GUITAR WITH THOSE GLOVES ON?!


THE TITANS
HUH?! YOU TOLD US NOT TO WORRY ABOUT THE GENRE, AND TO JUST FIND A COOL COSTUME, DIDN'T YOU?!
DON'T YOU EVEN UNDER-STAND MUSICAL GENRES?!
PLUS, THAT'S NOT A COOL COSTUME, THOSE ARE GYM SHORTS WITH OVAL-TINE STAINS ON THEM!


I KNEW I COULDN'T TRUST COSTUM-ING TO YOU AMATEURS!
STARTING NOW, DO AS I TELL YOU AND START ACTING LIKE A ROCK BAND!
THAT MEANS WE'LL ONLY BE DOING THE THINGS YOU WANT TO DO!!
IF WE HAVE TO BUY NEW COSTUMES, THAT'LL COST MONEY...
I DON'T WANT TO CHANGE THE BAND'S DIRECTION BASED ONLY ON JEAN'S WHIMS!

HUH...?!
WHAT'S WITH YOU PEOPLE?! YOU MAKE IT SOUND LIKE I'M THE BAD GUY!
JUST WHO DO YOU THINK GOT YOU GREENHORNS THIS FAR, HUH?
MAYBE THAT'S TRUE, BUT...
BIG TALK FROM SOMEBODY WHO BEGGED TO GET INTO MY BAND!!
OKAY, FINE!!
WHOOSH
YOU WANT IT SO MUCH, THEN I'LL QUIT!
HUH?
YOU HAVE TWO GUITARISTS, SO NO PROBLEM, RIGHT?
JUST PLAY WHATEVER YOU WANT NOW!
THERE WAS NO WAY THIS BAND COULD HAVE WON ANYWAY.
I'M GLAD I GOT OUT WHEN I HAD THE CHANCE!
SLAM

I'M GLAD I GOT OUT WHEN I HAD THE CHANCE!
SLAM
SHIKK
SHUMP
AND...
SO IN THE END, JEAN QUIT THE BAND.
JEAN...
ABOUT THAT TIME, JEAN...
...DAYS PASSED AS NOTHING MUCH HAPPENED FOR A CHANGE.
DAYS TO THE CULTURE FESTIVAL
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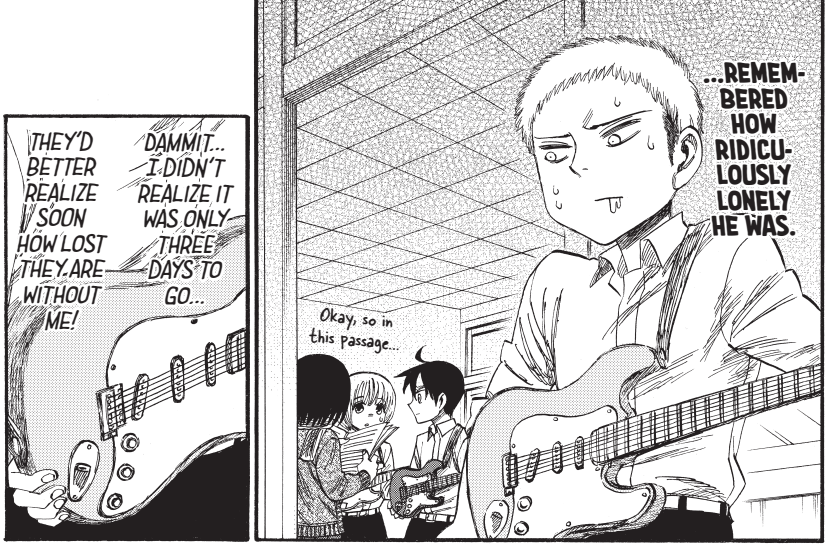
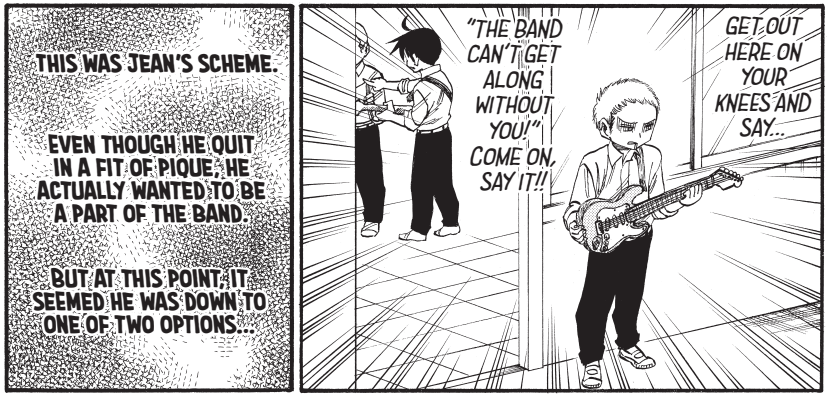
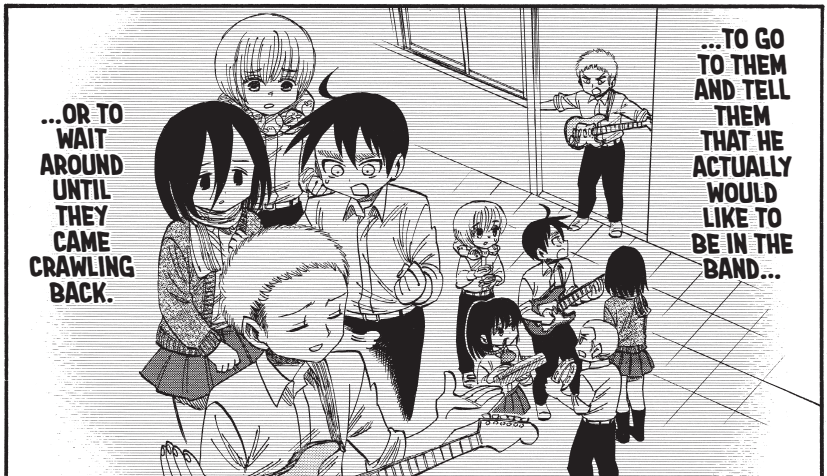
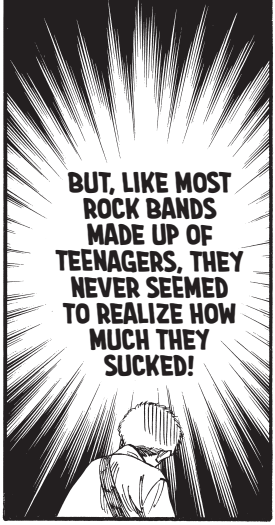
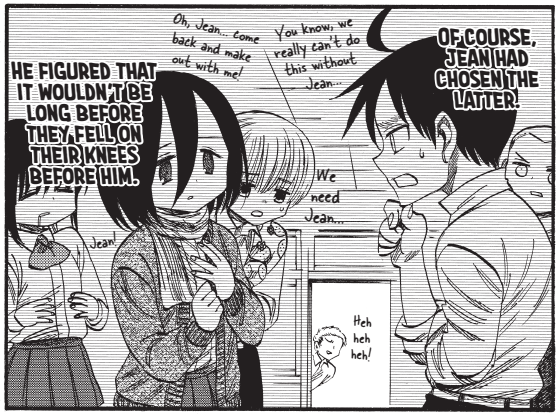

...REMEMBERED HOW RIDICULOUSLY LONELY HE WAS.
Okay, so in this passage...
DAMMIT... I DIDN'T REALIZE IT WAS ONLY THREE DAYS TO GO...
THEY'D BETTER REALIZE SOON HOW LOST THEY ARE WITHOUT ME!

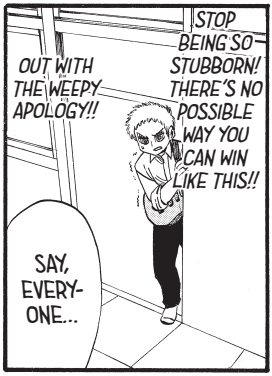

GET OUT HERE ON YOUR KNEES AND SAY...
"THE BAND CAN'T GET ALONG WITHOUT YOU!" COME ON, SAY IT!!
THIS WAS JEAN'S SCHEME.
EVEN THOUGH HE QUIT IN A FIT OF PIQUE, HE ACTUALLY WANTED TO BE A PART OF THE BAND.
BUT AT THIS POINT, IT SEEMED HE WAS DOWN TO ONE OF TWO OPTIONS...

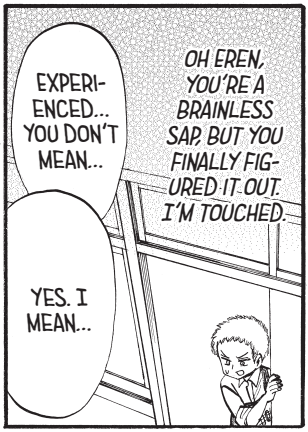

...TO GO TO THEM AND TELL THEM THAT HE ACTUALLY WOULD LIKE TO BE IN THE BAND...
...OR TO WAIT AROUND UNTIL THEY CAME CRAWLING BACK.


BUT, LIKE MOST ROCK BANDS MADE UP OF TEENAGERS, THEY NEVER SEEMED TO REALIZE HOW MUCH THEY SUCKED!


HE FIGURED THAT IT WOULDN'T BE LONG BEFORE THEY FELL ON THEIR KNEES BEFORE HIM.
Oh, Jean... come back and make out with me!
You know, we really can't do this without Jean...
OF COURSE, JEAN HAD CHOSEN THE LATTER!
We need Jean...
Jean!
Heh heh heh!

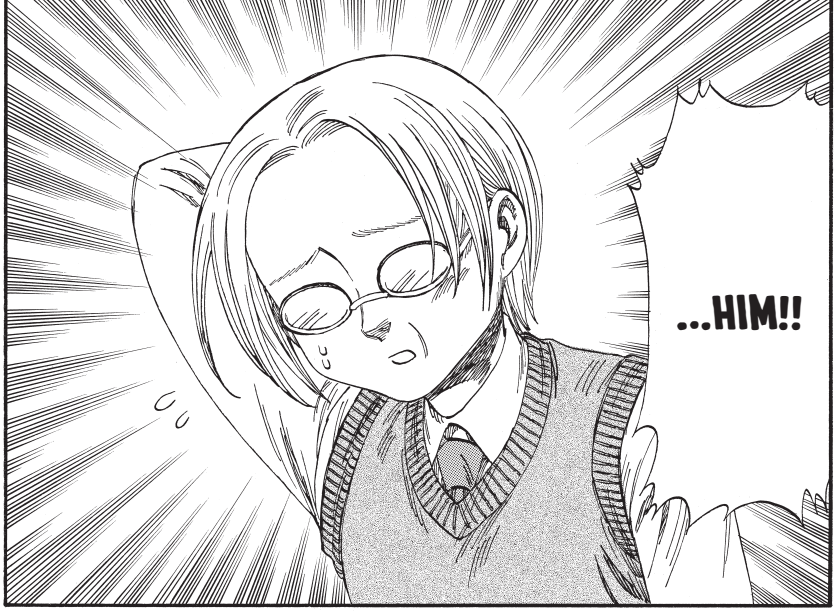
I'VE BEEN THINKING ABOUT THIS FOR A WHILE...
...AND, DON'T GET ME WRONG, I THINK WE'RE AWESOME, BUT I CAN'T HELP FEELING SOMETHING'S MISSING.

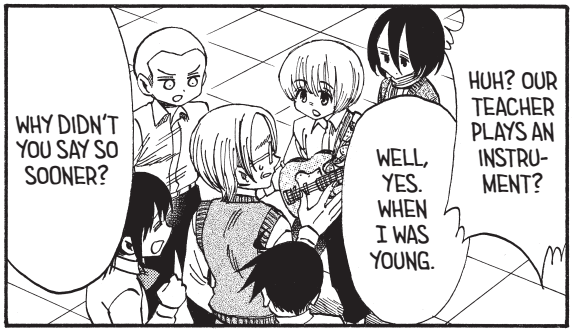

STOP BEING SO STUBBORN! THERE'S NO POSSIBLE WAY YOU CAN WIN LIKE THIS!!
OUT WITH THE WEEPY APOLOGY!!
SAY, EVERY-ONE...


OH EREN, YOU'RE A BRAINLESS SAP, BUT YOU FINALLY FIG-URED IT OUT. I'M TOUCHED.
EXPERI-ENCED... YOU DON'T MEAN...
YES. I MEAN...

LET'S GO ASK HIM! WE SHOULD HAVE DONE THIS DAYS AGO!!
...WE NEED TO PRAC-TICE WITH SOMEBODY WHO HAS EXPERI-ENCE.

HERE IT COMES!!
THE WAY I SEE IT...


...HIM!!


HUH? OUR TEACHER PLAYS AN INSTRUMENT?
WELL, YES. WHEN I WAS YOUNG.
WHY DIDN'T YOU SAY SO SOONER?

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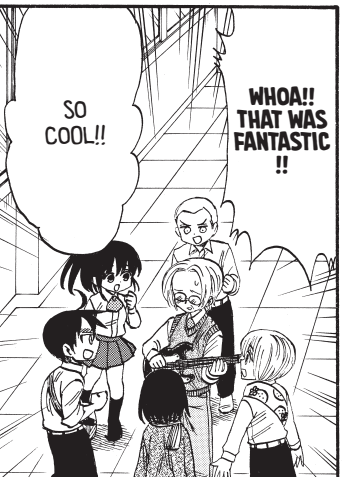
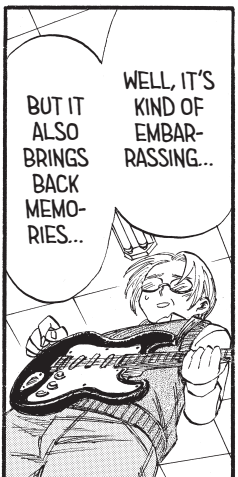
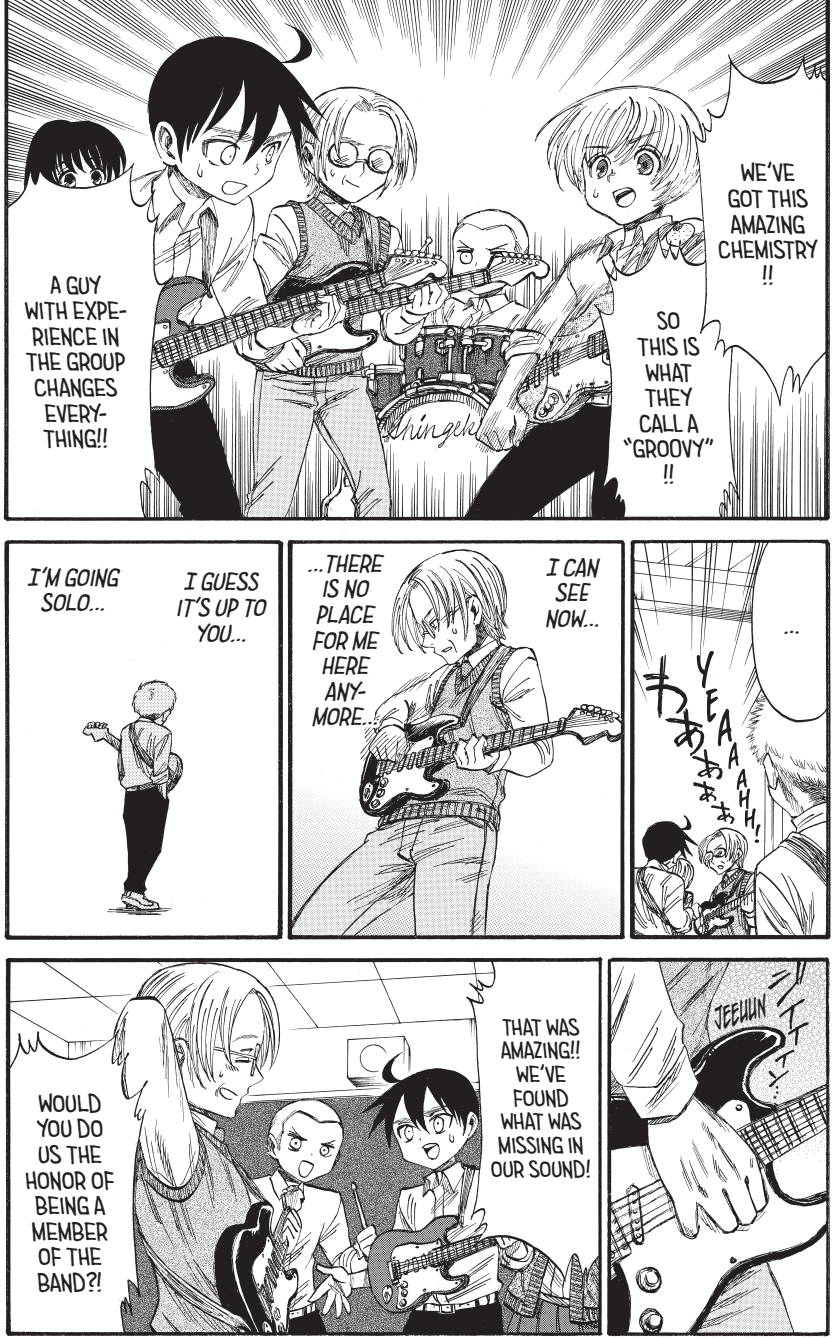
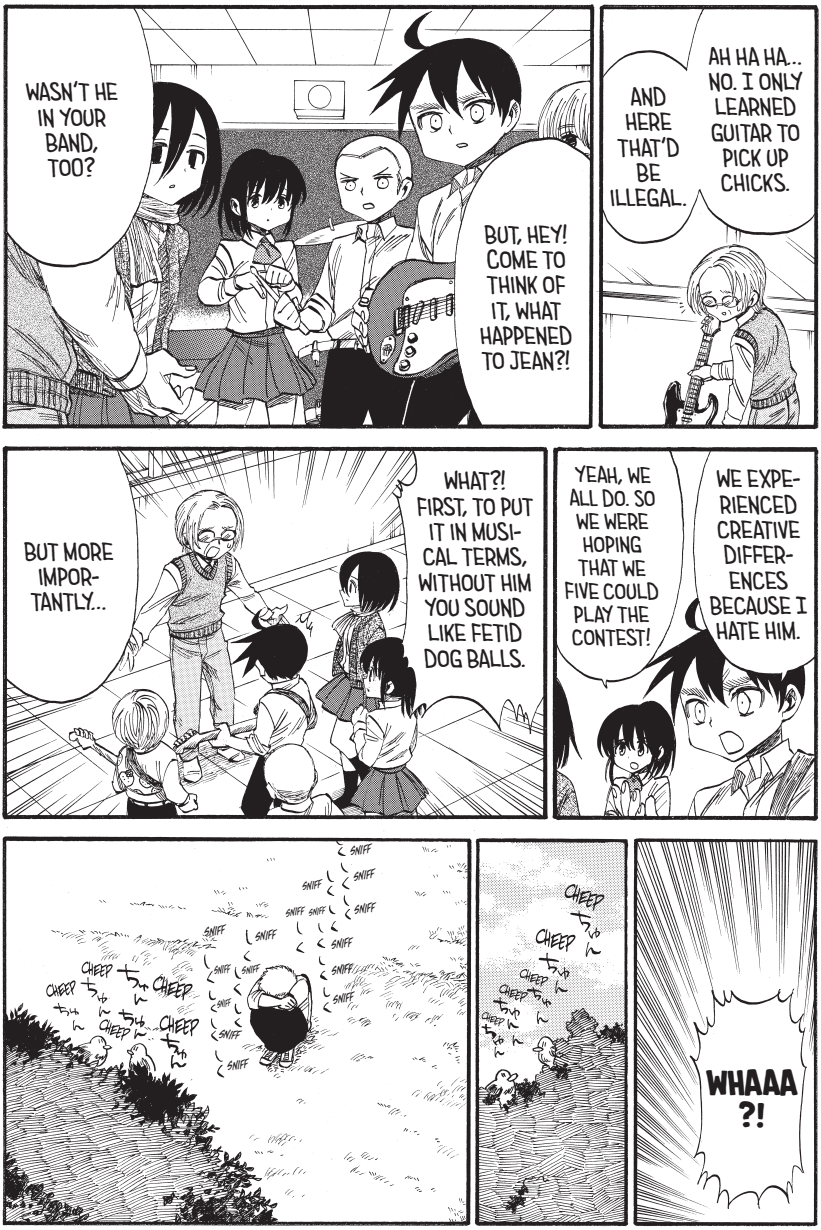

WHOA!! THAT WAS FANTASTIC !!
SO COOL!!

TOTALLY SWEET
GUITARRIFFS


WELL, IT'S KIND OF EMBARRASSING...
BUT IT ALSO BRINGS BACK MEMORIES...

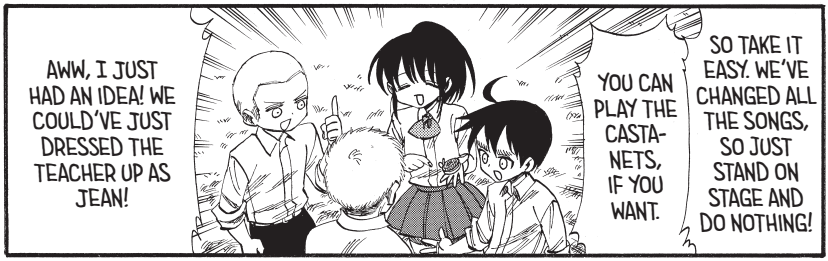

A GUY WITH EXPERIENCE IN THE GROUP CHANGES EVERYTHING!!
SO THIS IS WHAT THEY CALL A "GROOVY" !!
WE'VE GOT THIS AMAZING CHEMISTRY !!
I'M GOING SOLO...
I GUESS IT'S UP TO YOU...
...THERE IS NO PLACE FOR ME HERE ANYMORE...
I CAN SEE NOW...
...
YEAAAAHH!
WOULD YOU DO US THE HONOR OF BEING A MEMBER OF THE BAND?!
THAT WAS AMAZING!! WE'VE FOUND WHAT WAS MISSING IN OUR SOUND!
JEEHUN


WASN'T HE IN YOUR BAND, TOO?
BUT, HEY! COME TO THINK OF IT, WHAT HAPPENED TO JEAN?!
AND HERE THAT'D BE ILLEGAL.
AH HA HA... NO. I ONLY LEARNED GUITAR TO PICK UP CHICKS.
BUT MORE IMPOR-TANTLY...
WHAT?! FIRST, TO PUT IT IN MUSI-CAL TERMS, WITHOUT HIM YOU SOUND LIKE FETID DOG BALLS.
YEAH, WE ALL DO. SO WE WERE HOPING THAT WE FIVE COULD PLAY THE CONTEST!
WE EXPE-RIENCED CREATIVE DIFFER-ENCES BECAUSE I HATE HIM.
SNIFF
CHEEP ちゅん
WHAAA ?!

JEAN!!
NOW NOBODY EVEN REMEMBERS THAT I EXIST...
THIS KIND OF THING NEVER HAPPENS IN MANGA!!
DAMMIT! WHO KNEW MY TEACHER WOULD BECOME MY GREATEST RIVAL?!
SNIFF
CHEEP?!
SHUT UP!! GOD, BIRDS ARE THE WORST!!
JEAN, PLEASE COME BACK TO THE BAND!!
I'M BEGGING, PLEASE!! COME BACK AND BE A MEMBER OF THE BAND!!
WE DON'T HAVE A HOPE OF WINNING WITHOUT YOU!!
WE NEED YOU!! WE'LL DO ANYTHING!!

MY DREAM HAS BECOME REALITY!!
JEAN, PLEASE COME BACK TO THE BAND.
NO...
JEAN...
IS THIS A DREAM ...?
I MEAN, THE TEACHER WAS PLAYING GUITAR LIKE A WIZARD A FEW MINUTES AGO...
JEAN IS COMING BACK! I'M HAPPY!
OH, SIMPLE CONNIE! HOW COULD I TURN YOU DOWN?
AH HA HA HA HA
...BUT HEY, IT LOOKS LIKE MIKASA IS LONELY WITHOUT ME, SO...
I was definitely not
HEH! WELL, I MEAN, I'M KIND BUSY WITH MY SOLO PROJECT, "THE JEAN EXPERIENCE KIRSTEIN PROJECT FAMILY"...
?!!
GOOD! NOW LET'S HEAD BACK FOR SOME SPECIAL TRAINING WITH OUR TEACHER!!
I KNEW THEY'D NEED ME!
WAIT. DIDN'T YOU SAY YOU NEEDED ME? FOR THE GUITAR?
NAW, NOT REALLY. I'VE GOTTEN SUPER GOOD AT IT.
YEAH, WE STILL THINK WE PLAY JUST AS WELL WITHOUT YOU.
CHEEP
CHEEP

IT'S JUST THAT IF WE DON'T HAVE ALL THE MEMBERS WE REGISTERED WITH, WE'RE DISQUALIFIED.
SO WE HAD NO CHOICE BUT TO ASK YOU TO COME BACK.


SO TAKE IT EASY. WE'VE CHANGED ALL THE SONGS, SO JUST STAND ON STAGE AND DO NOTHING!
YOU CAN PLAY THE CASTA-NETS, IF YOU WANT.
AWW, I JUST HAD AN IDEA! WE COULD'VE JUST DRESSED THE TEACHER UP AS JEAN!

YOU GUYS...
LET'S ROCK THIS HOUSE!! ROCK IT INSIDE OUT!!
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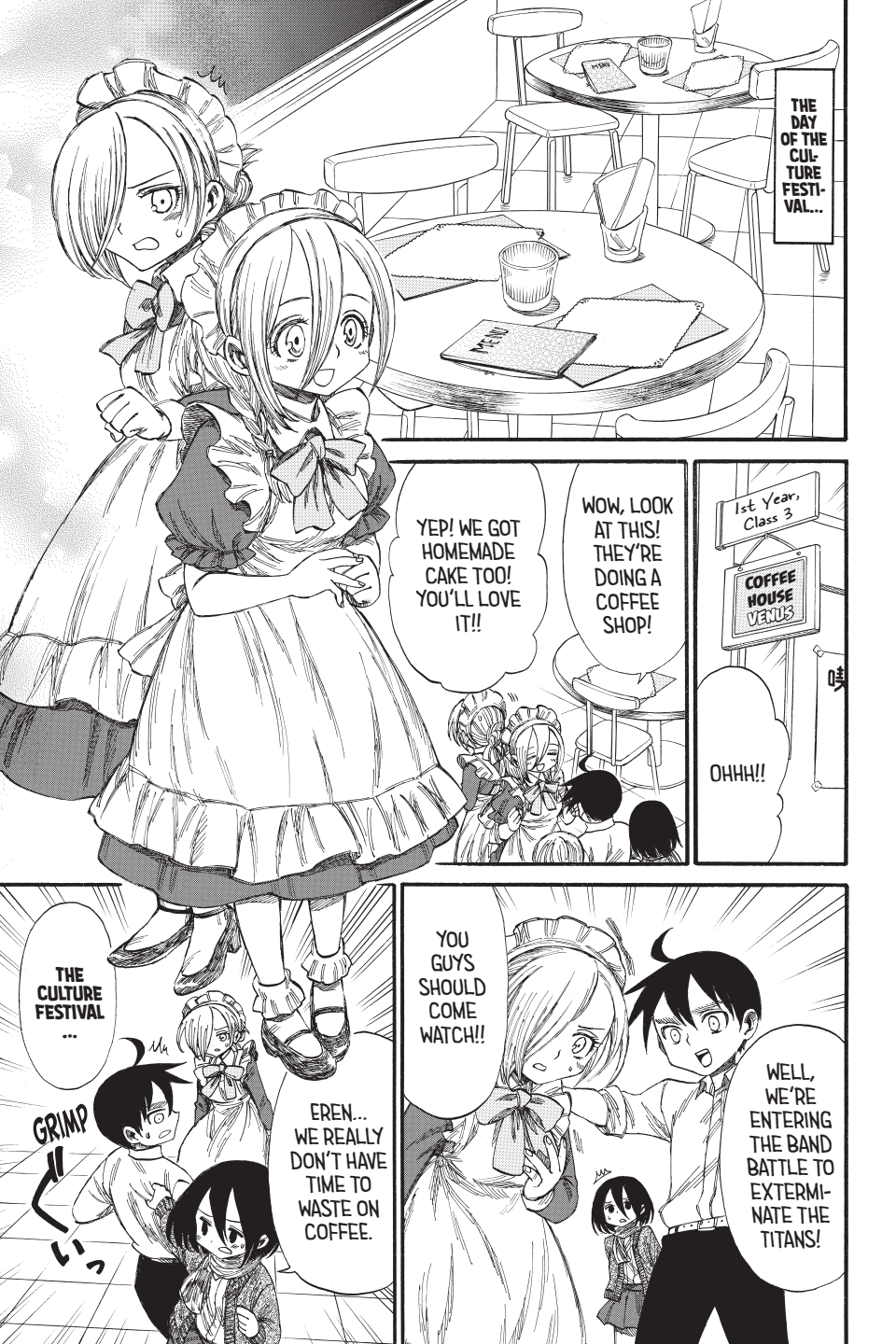
YEAAHHH!!
WHOA!! NO OVER-DOING IT ON THE PERFOR-MANCE, GOT IT?!
AND SO THE DAY OF THE MAG-NIFICENT BAND BATTLE ARRIVED!!


THE DAY OF THE CULTURE FESTIVAL...
1st Year, Class 3
COFFEE HOUSE VENUS
OHHH!!
WOW, LOOK AT THIS! THEY'RE DOING A COFFEE SHOP!
YEP! WE GOT HOMEMADE CAKE TOO! YOU'LL LOVE IT!!
WELL, WE'RE ENTERING THE BAND BATTLE TO EXTERMINATE THE TITANS!
YOU GUYS SHOULD COME WATCH!!
EREN... WE REALLY DON'T HAVE TIME TO WASTE ON COFFEE.
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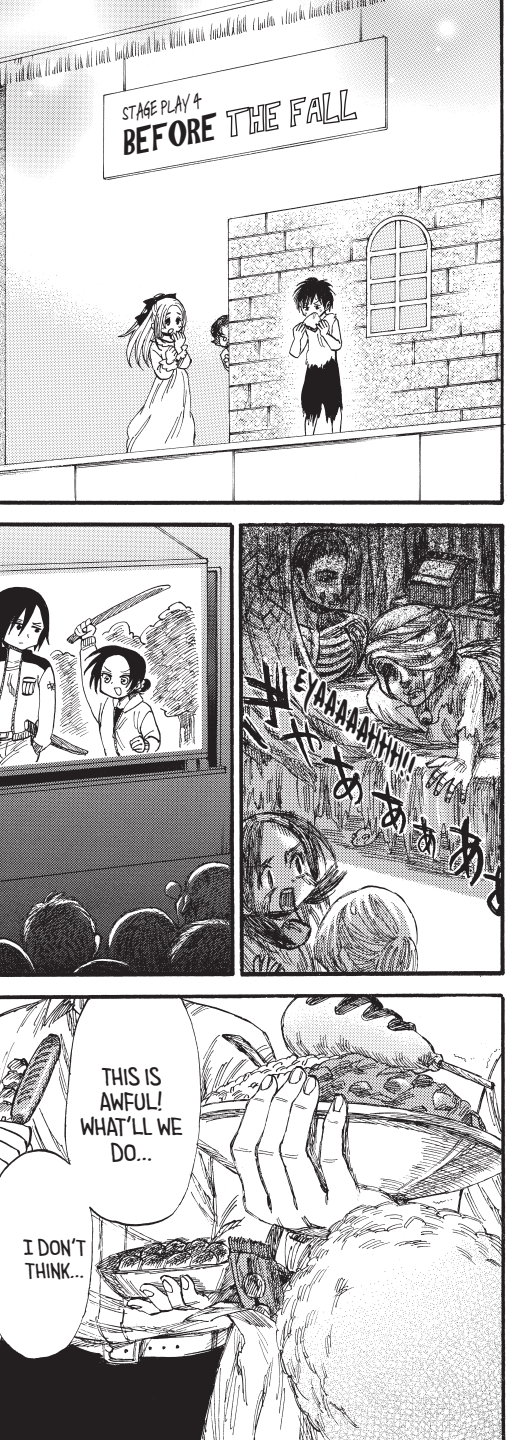
THE CULTURE FESTIVAL ...

THIRTY-FIFTH PERIOD: HOW TO TAKE THE CULTURE FROM A CULTURE FAIR


STAGE PLAY 4
BEFORE THE FALL
EYAAAAAHHH!!
THIS IS AWFUL! WHAT'LL WE DO...
I DON'T THINK...
...

MASSAGES
5 MINUTES/100yen
SECOND YEAR CLASS SIX
Feel full refreshed!
MASSAGES
5 MIN
100 YEN
MAID CAFE

*250 yen is about $2.50.

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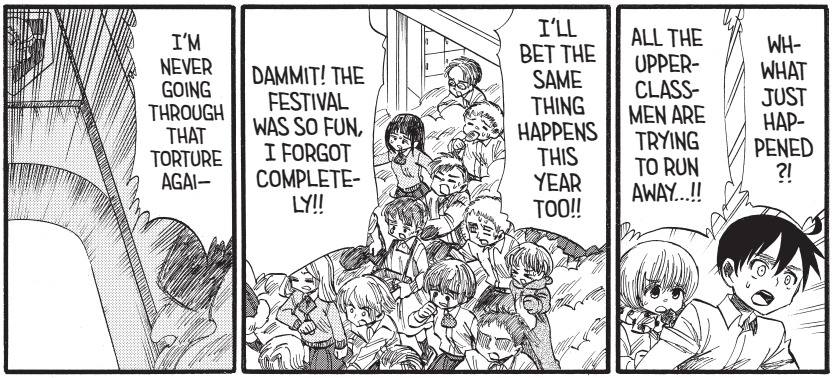
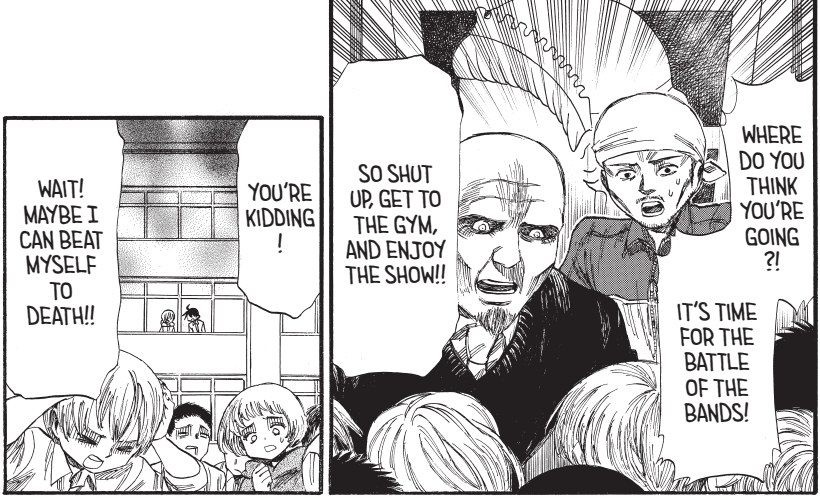
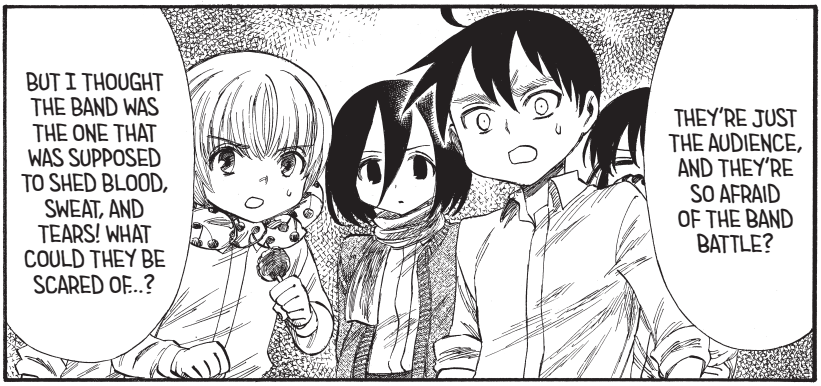

WH-WHAT JUST HAPPENED?!
ALL THE UPPER-CLASSMEN ARE TRYING TO RUN AWAY...!!
I'LL BET THE SAME THING HAPPENS THIS YEAR TOO!!
DAMMIT! THE FESTIVAL WAS SO FUN, I FORGOT COMPLETELY!!
I'M NEVER GOING THROUGH THAT TORTURE AGAI—

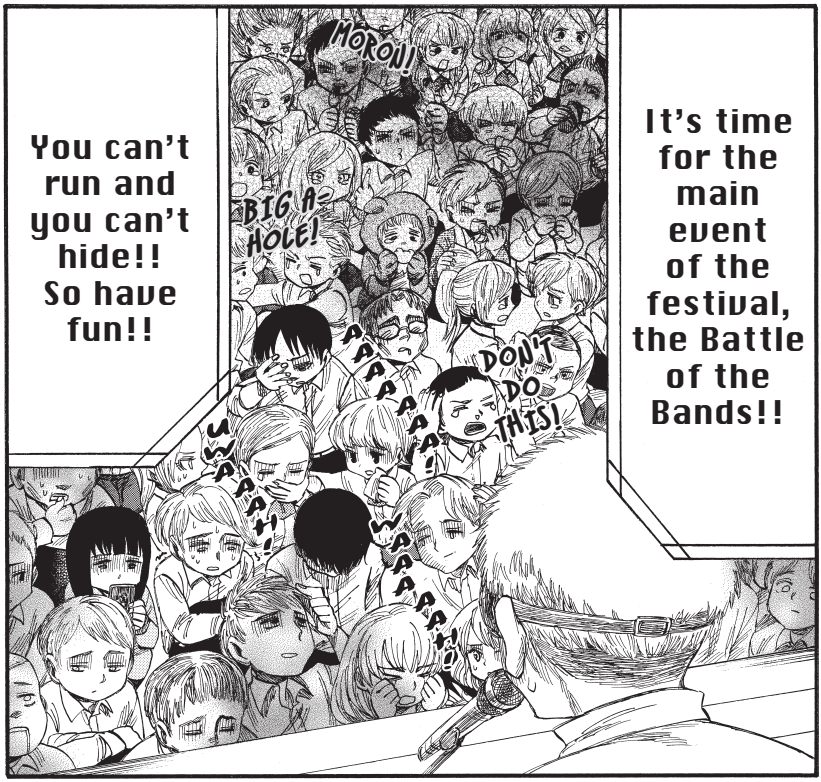
KACHAAAANG
!!
THEY SHUT THE MAIN GATE!!
OH, GOD!! LET US OUT!!


WHERE DO YOU THINK YOU'RE GOING ?!
IT'S TIME FOR THE BATTLE OF THE BANDS!
SO SHUT UP, GET TO THE GYM, AND ENJOY THE SHOW!!
YOU'RE KIDDING !
WAIT! MAYBE I CAN BEAT MYSELF TO DEATH!!

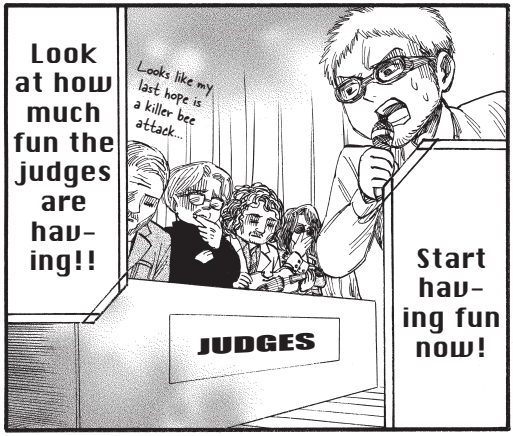

THEY'RE JUST THE AUDIENCE, AND THEY'RE SO AFRAID OF THE BAND BATTLE?
BUT I THOUGHT THE BAND WAS THE ONE THAT WAS SUPPOSED TO SHED BLOOD, SWEAT, AND TEARS! WHAT COULD THEY BE SCARED OF...?

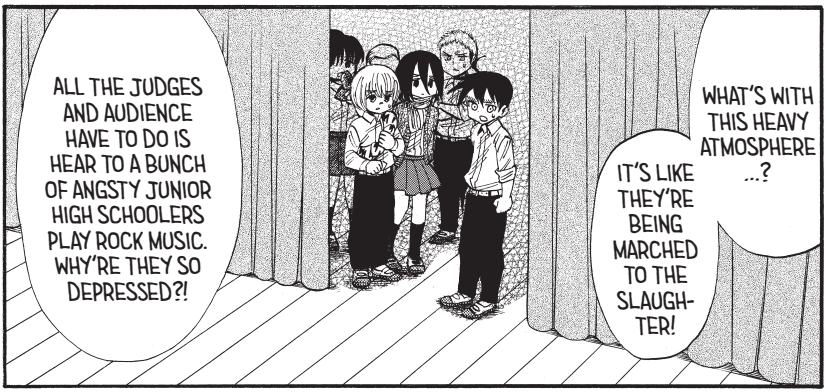
THE FUN!!
BAND BATTLE
MURMUR
MURMUR

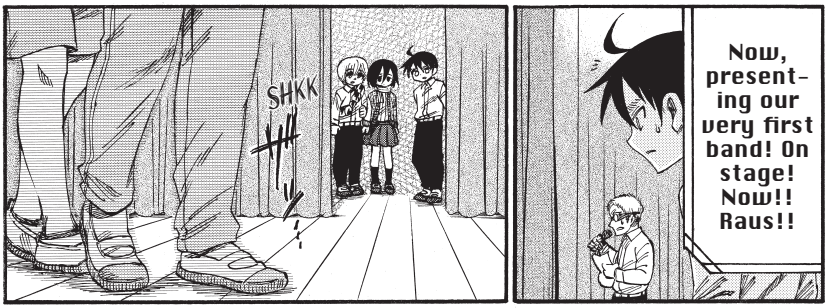
I THINK WE ARE ABOUT TO TAKE PART...
...IN A POTENTIALLY VERY DANGEROUS EVENT...

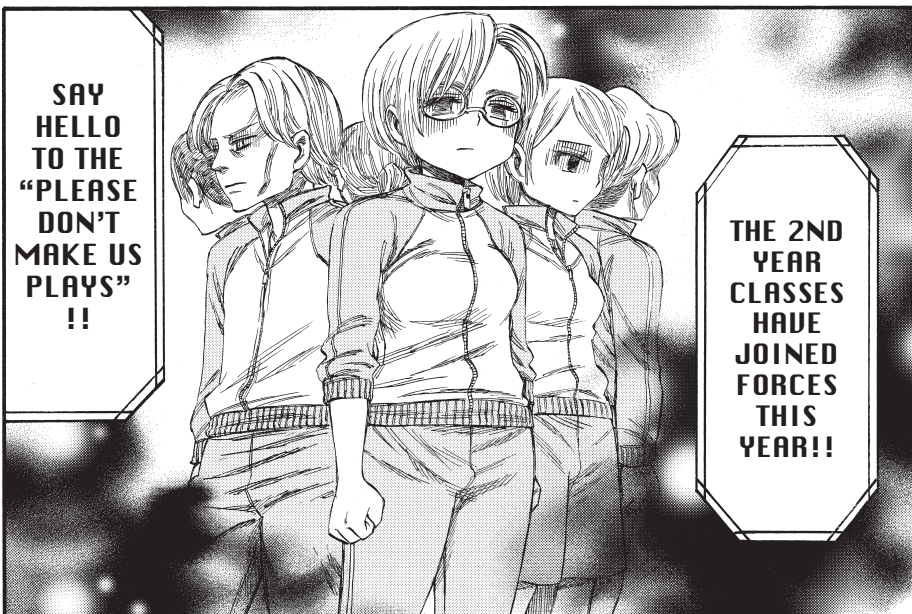

You can't run and you can't hide!! So have fun!!
MOROI!
BIG A-HOLE!
AAAAAA!
DON'T DO THIS!
WAAAAH!
WAAAAH!
It's time for the main event of the festival, the Battle of the Bands!!

Shut your hole!! I mean, remember to have fun!
I DON'T WANT TO DO THIS...
A-And now, a word from the contestant representative...


Look at how much fun the judges are having!!
Looks like my last hope is a killer bee attack...
JUDGES
Start having fun now!


WHAT'S WITH THIS HEAVY ATMOSPHERE ...?
IT'S LIKE THEY'RE BEING MARCHED TO THE SLAUGHTER!
ALL THE JUDGES AND AUDIENCE HAVE TO DO IS HEAR TO A BUNCH OF ANGSTY JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOLERS PLAY ROCK MUSIC. WHY'RE THEY SO DEPRESSED?!


Now, presenting our very first band! On stage! Now!! Raus!!
SHKK


THE 2ND YEAR CLASSES HAVE JOINED FORCES THIS YEAR!!
SAY HELLO TO THE "PLEASE DON'T MAKE US PLAYS" !!

TH-THEY LOOK LIKE THEY'VE ALREADY LOST...!!
IS THIS NORMAL FOR JR. HIGH STUDENTS AT THE START OF A CONCERT?
AND THEIR BAND NAME IS TOO SAD TO EVEN BE EMO. IT'S JUST DEPRESSING... LIKE A UB40 SONG.
THEY'RE LIKE CRIMINALS AT THE GALLOWS... OR PEOPLE AT A UB40 CONCERT.
AND THEY DIDN'T BRING INSTRUMENTS ...?
HOW CAN THEY PERFORM LIKE THAT...?
HERE IT COMES...
ARE THEY PLANNING ON DOING THAT TOO ...?
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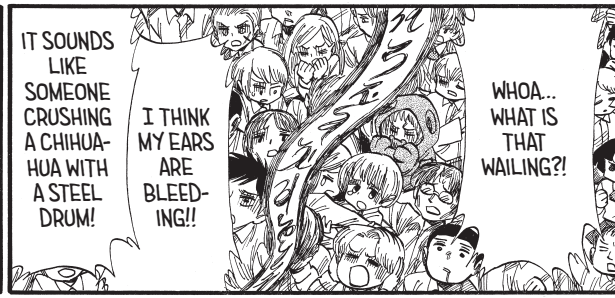
IT TURNED OUT THEY WERE TRYING TO GET LOW SCORES...
...BY STAGING AN ABORIGINAL RITUAL INSTEAD. IT WAS A RIDICULOUS, GRATING MISH-MASH OF CULTURES... LIKE "RED RED WINE" BY UB40!

OKAY, ENOUGH!! JUST FINISH UP ALREADY !!


IT SOUNDS LIKE SOMEONE CRUSHING A CHIHUA-HUA WITH A STEEL DRUM!
I THINK MY EARS ARE BLEED-ING!!
WHOA... WHAT IS THAT WAILING?!

I FEEL THE SPIRIT OF UB40 FRONTMAN ALI CAMP-BELL INSIDE ME...
AGH!! WHAT HAVE WE DONE?!
THE CEREMONY WAS A SUCCESS!

Thank you very much —
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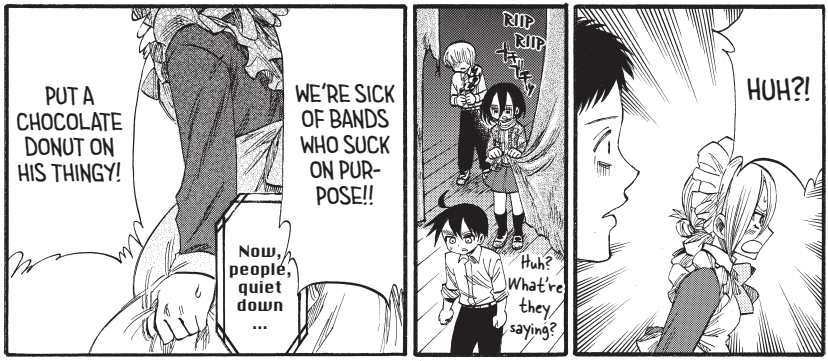
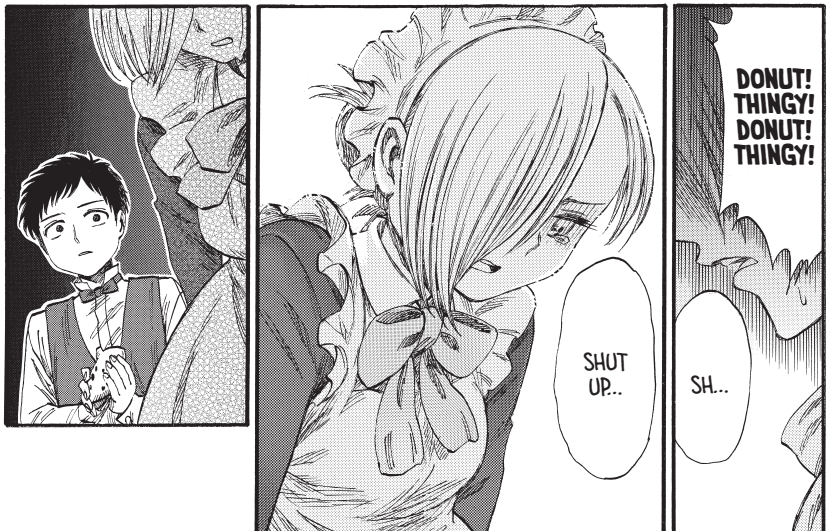
HUH?
TWIRL
EEEE!
EEEE!
THIS ISN'T HOW IT GOES AT ALL!
IN THE MOVIES, THE FIRST BAND IS REALLY GOOD TO PSYCHE UP THE UNDER-DOGS!
MAYBE THE AUDIENCE IS SCARED OF BLACK MAGIC ...?!
DON'T DO IT, RICO!!
AAAAAAAAHHH
30 MINUTES LATER ...
We had a few... technical difficul-ties... but don't worry, Ali Campbell is dead now.
And we're going to bring you our next group!
The second act's from Class 1-3. Give it up for "No, We Changed Our Minds"!
Huh? What? They're not coming out?
ANYTHING, JUST NO MORE MYSTERIOUS CEREMONIES, OKAY?
Ohh...

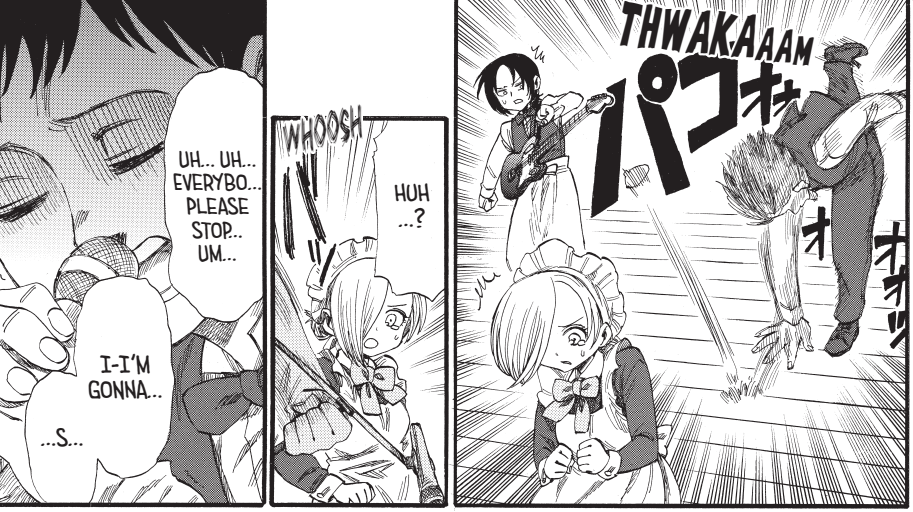
WELL, IT LOOKS LIKE THE BAND THAT SIGNED UP NEVER MADE IT TO THE STAGE...
...SO THEY FOUND FIVE EMERGENCY REPLACE-MENTS TO PERFORM INSTEAD ...!!
HUH? WHAT ARE THEY DOING?
TELL ME...
WHY DO I HAVE TO BE THE VOCALIST HERE?!
WE HAVE NO CHOICE! WE DREW STRAWS AND YOU'RE A TERRIBLE ARTIST.
ANNIE...
Well, I'm embarrassed too, you know!
I'M SO SORRY YOU HAVE TO GO UP THERE...
WERE I A REAL MAN, I WOULD FALL ON THIS GRENADE FOR YOU...

FORGIVE ME, ANNIE...
I CAN'T HELP WITHOUT VIOLATING THE RESTRAINING ORDER...
ANNIE!
At least I can promise my ocarina playing will be awful.
THE DOCTORS AND MUSICOLOGISTS SAID I'D DISCOVERED A NEW METHOD OF SINGING TWO NOTES AT ONCE, PERFECTLY-TUNED TO KNOCK OUT THE CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM.
DOOBY-DOOBY-DOOO DO-DO-DO-DOOBY...
...THE LAST TIME I SANG KARAOKE, SEVERAL PATRONS SPENT THE NIGHT IN INTENSIVE CARE.
BUT DON'T WORRY! WE'RE ACTUALLY TRYING TO WIN, SO YOU DON'T HAVE TO DO A GOOD JOB!
I KNOW IT SUCKS TO HAVE TO SING ALL OF A SUDDEN...
WH-WHAT?
EREN!
HEY...
...THAT'S NEVER HAPPENED BEFORE, RIGHT...?
HEY, SOMEONE ACTUALLY SAID SOMETHING KINDA NICE TO SOMEONE IN ANOTHER BAND...
HUH? OH, UH... THANKS, I GUESS.

THE FUN!! BAND BATTLE
YEAH, NO MORE MUSIC! WE WANT GONADS !!
WE WANNA SEE YOU GUYS MAKE OUT ON STAGE! ALSO BONING!
YOU DON'T REALLY FEEL LIKE SINGING ANYWAY, RIGHT?!
SAY YOU LOVE HIM!!


PUT A CHOCOLATE DONUT ON HIS THINGY!
WE'RE SICK OF BANDS WHO SUCK ON PUR-POSE!!
Now, people, quiet down ...
RIIP RIIP
Huh? What're they saying?
HUH?!


DONUT! THINGY! DONUT! THINGY!
SH...
SHUT UP...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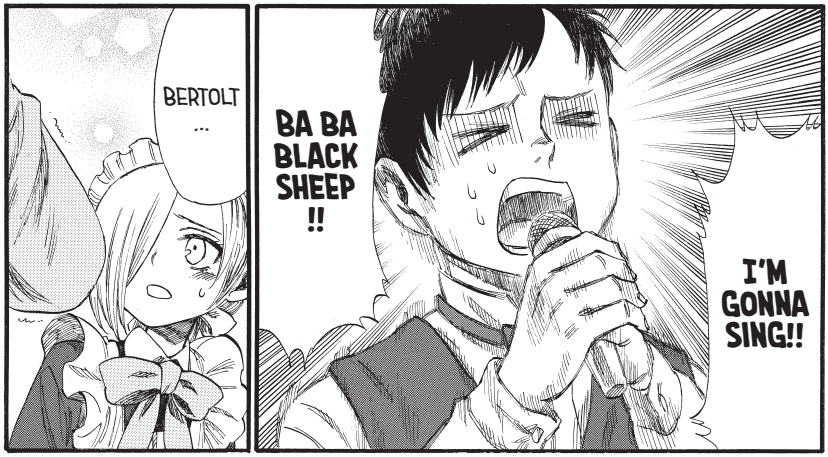
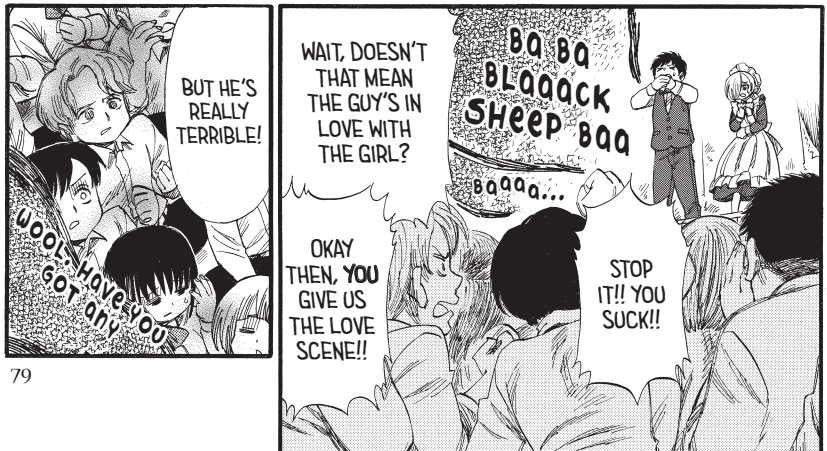
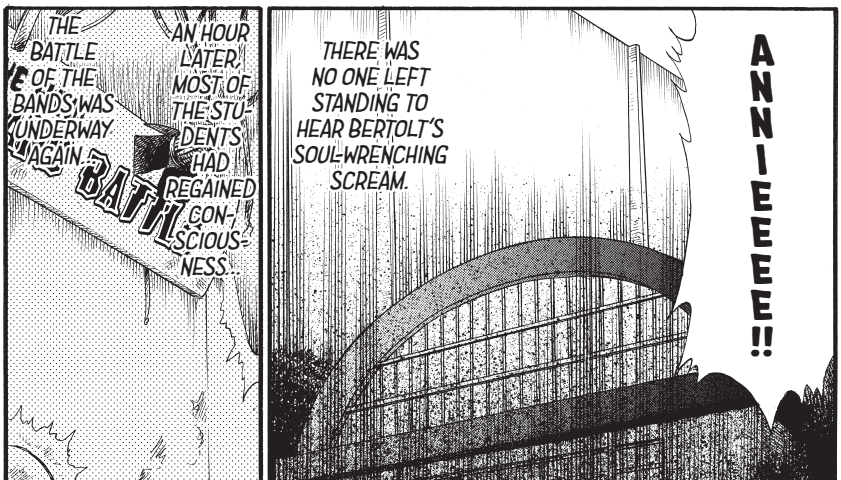
WHOOSH
HUH ...?
UH... UH... EVERYBO... PLEASE STOP... UM...
I-I'M GONNA...
...S...


I'M GONNA SING!!
BA BA BLACK SHEEP !!
BERTOLT ...


WAIT, DOESN'T THAT MEAN THE GUY'S IN LOVE WITH THE GIRL?
BA BA BLaaack SHEEP BAA
Baaaa...
STOP IT!! YOU SUCK!!
OKAY THEN, YOU GIVE US THE LOVE SCENE!!
BUT HE'S REALLY TERRIBLE!
WOOL I HAVE YOU GOT ANY

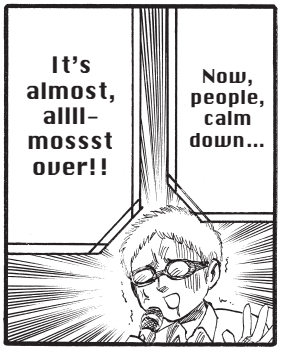
HUH...?
WOOOOOL
BATTLE
THUD
THUD

ANNIE!! NOO!!
WHOOSH
BUT I DON'T CARE! IF IT SAVES ANNIE, I'LL PUNCTURE EARDRUMS AND INDUCE COMAS...
I DID IT AGAIN... AND THE DOCTOR WARNED ME...
If you ever sing again... it might qualify as manslaughter.
HUH?!

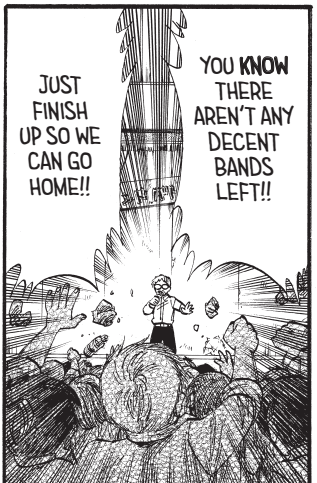

THE BATTLE OF THE BANDS WAS UNDERWAY AGAIN.
BATTLE
AN HOUR LATER, MOST OF THE STUDENTS HAD REGAINED CONSCIOUSNESS.
THERE WAS NO ONE LEFT STANDING TO HEAR BERTOLT'S SOUL-WRENCHING SCREAM.
ANNIEEEE!!

MY ONLY REGRET IS THAT LAST BAND DIDN'T KILL ME!!
THIS IS WORSE THAN THE YEAR ALL THE BANDS JUST SCRAPED THE INSIDE OF A CAN WITH A METAL SPOON!
AWWW, I WANNA GO HOME !!

What about... Okay, then how about... What if... HUUUUH ?!
WHISPER WHISPER
Let's see... Next... Huh?! All the other bands either passed out or escaped?!


It's almost, allll- mossst over!!
Now, people, calm down...

BUT SINCE THERE DON'T SEEM TO BE ANY OTHER BANDS AROUND, MAYBE...
THIS IS A TERRIBLE CONCERT. LIKE, AXL ROSE BAD.
YEAH...


JUST FINISH UP SO WE CAN GO HOME!!
YOU KNOW THERE AREN'T ANY DECENT BANDS LEFT!!

It is manda-tory that you enjoy the...
SHKK
We've got the next band ready, from first year, class four!
NOW WE'RE SURE TO...
...WIN THE BATTLE!!
ATTACKERS!!
WOOOW!!
CAN WE DARE TO HOPE THEY'RE A R-REAL BAND?!
THEY'RE HOLDING THE IN-STRUMENTS LIKE THEY ACTUALLY... KNOW HOW TO PLAY!!
HUH? WHAT'S GOING ON?

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...AND, OF COURSE, TO THE FANS!
I JUST WANT TO SAY THANK YOU TO MY BAND MATES, TO MY TEACHER...
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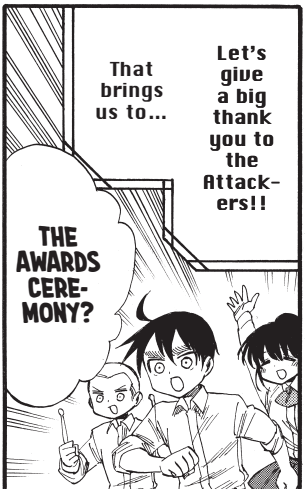
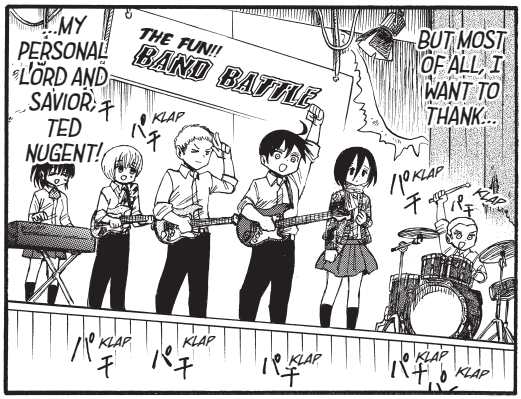
AAAAAY


That brings us to...
Let's give a big thank you to the Attack-ers!!
THE AWARDS CERE-MONY?


...MY PERSONAL LORD AND SAVIOR, TED NUGENT!
THE FUN!! BAND BATTLE
BUT MOST OF ALL, I WANT TO THANK...
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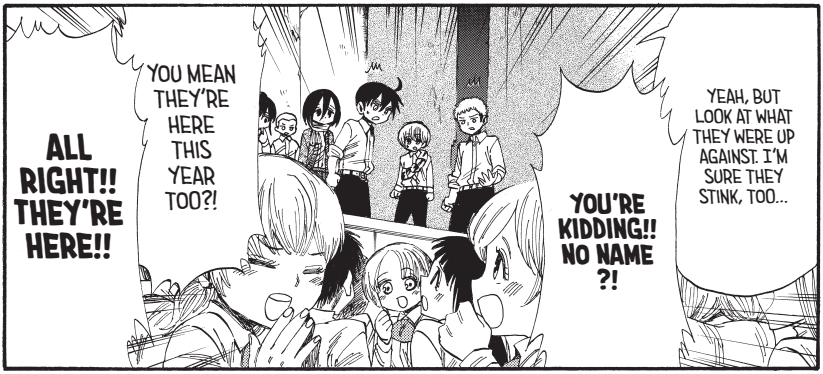
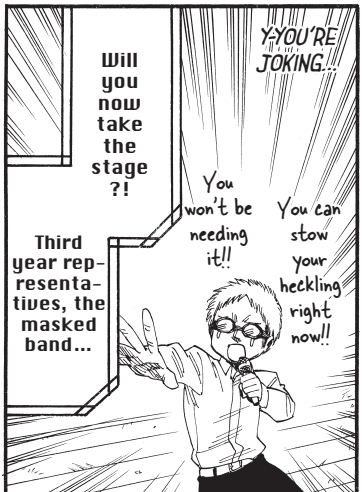
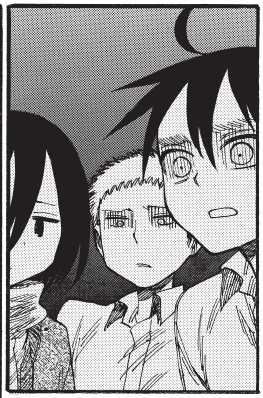
DID HE SAY LAST YEAR'S WINNERS...?
HUH? WEREN'T WE THE FINAL BAND?
!!
Put your hands together or be destroyed!!
SCRIPT
...last year's winning band, No Name!


ALL RIGHT!! THEY'RE HERE!!
YOU MEAN THEY'RE HERE THIS YEAR TOO?!
YOU'RE KIDDING!! NO NAME ?!
YEAH, BUT LOOK AT WHAT THEY WERE UP AGAINST. I'M SURE THEY STINK, TOO...

FWAASSH
NO NAME !!


Will you now take the stage ?!
Third year representatives, the masked band...
You won't be needing it!!
You can stow your heckling right now!!
Y-YOU'RE JOKING...!!



KNEEL, YOU PIGS!!

We are No Name
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KYAAA!
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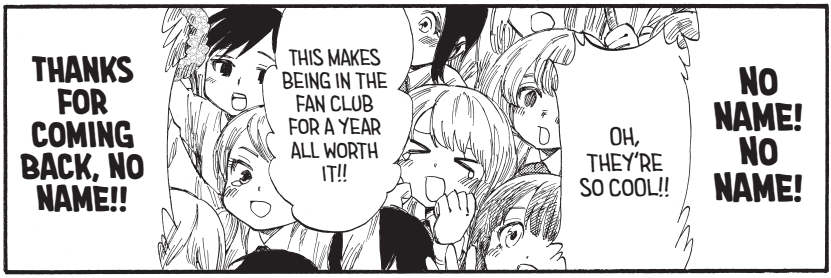
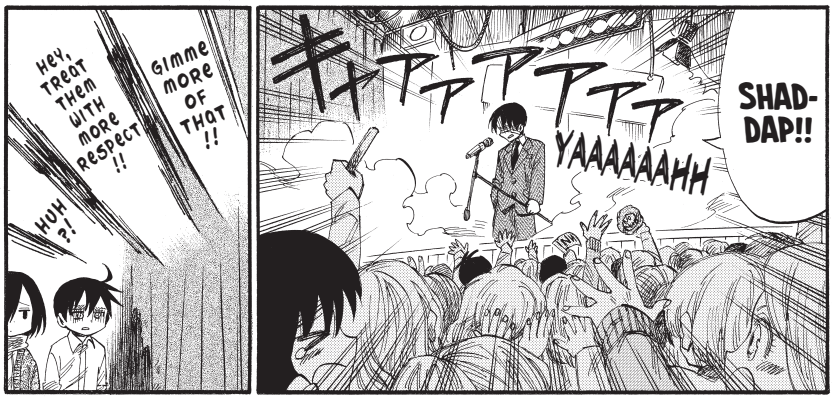
No Name
THE FUN BAND
N.И


NO NAME! NO NAME!
OH, THEY'RE SO COOL!!
THIS MAKES BEING IN THE FAN CLUB FOR A YEAR ALL WORTH IT!!
THANKS FOR COMING BACK, NO NAME!!


SHAD-DAP!!
YAAAAAAHH
GIMME MORE OF THAT!!
HEY, TREAT THEM WITH MORE RESPECT!!
HUH?!

WE WILL!!
SO WE WANT TO HEAR YOU ROAR!!
THANKS TO YOUR SUPPORT, WE'RE BACK TO WIN THIS YEAR'S CONTEST!
Stop! I'm stoking an air of mystery!
SO YOU SURVIVED! NICE TO SEE ALL YOU FANS!
Hey!
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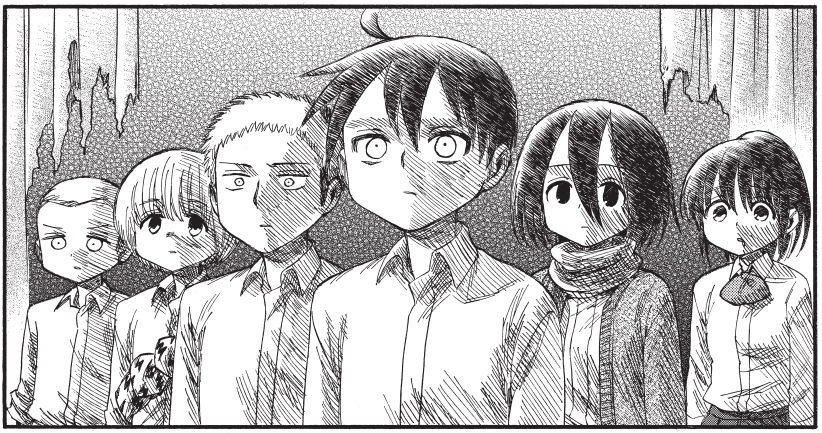
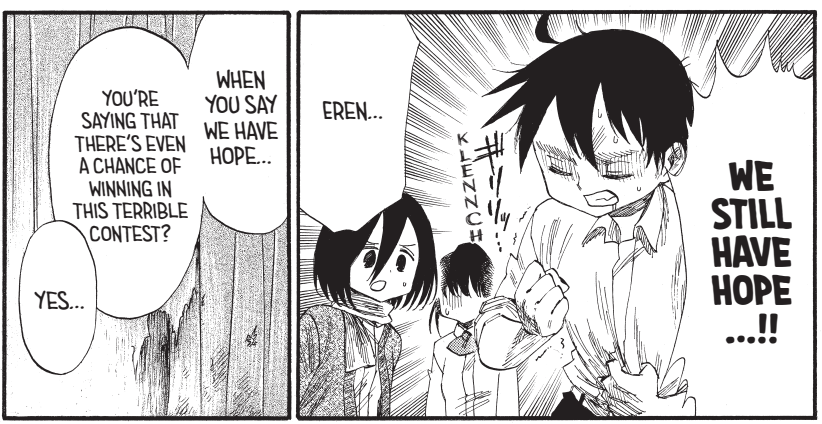
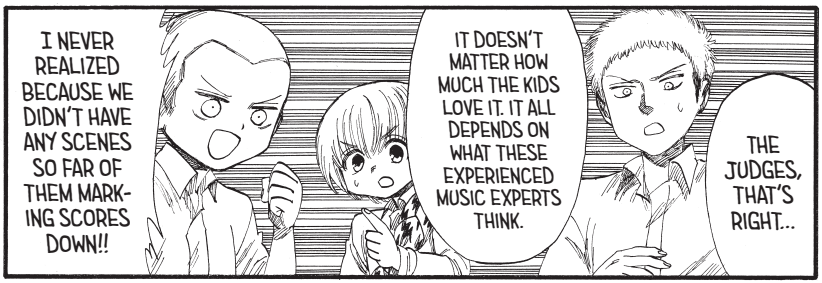
DON
CHAAANG
No Name
BATTLE

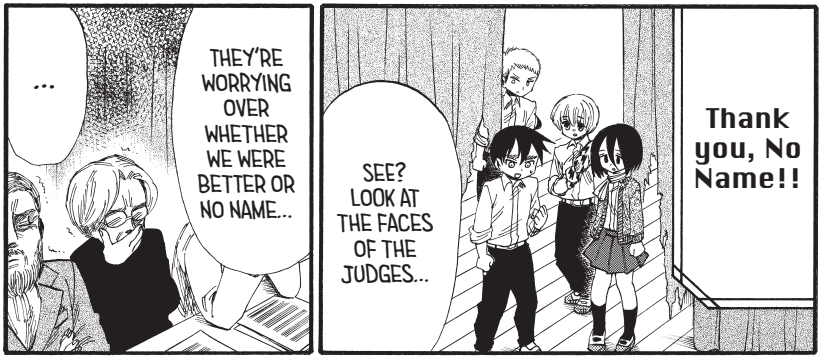


HA HA... WE'RE DONE, MAN! GAME OVER!
WE CAN'T COMPLAIN ABOUT THEIR SKILLS AS A BAND...
BUT ISN'T IT AGAINST THE RULES TO ALREADY HAVE A FAN CLUB?
THEY'VE PRETTY MUCH ALREADY WON...
NO!! NOT YET!!


WE STILL HAVE HOPE ...!!
KLENCH
EREN...
WHEN YOU SAY WE HAVE HOPE...
YOU'RE SAYING THAT THERE'S EVEN A CHANCE OF WINNING IN THIS TERRIBLE CONTEST?
YES...

THE ONES WHO DECIDE IT IN THE END ARE THE JUDGES...!!
I DON'T CARE HOW MANY FANS THEY HAVE OR HOW MUCH THE AUDIENCE IS INTO IT...


I NEVER REALIZED BECAUSE WE DIDN'T HAVE ANY SCENES SO FAR OF THEM MARKING SCORES DOWN!!
IT DOESN'T MATTER HOW MUCH THE KIDS LOVE IT. IT ALL DEPENDS ON WHAT THESE EXPERIENCED MUSIC EXPERTS THINK.
THE JUDGES, THAT'S RIGHT...


...
THEY'RE WORRYING OVER WHETHER WE WERE BETTER OR NO NAME...
SEE? LOOK AT THE FACES OF THE JUDGES...
Thank you, No Name!!

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AFTER THEM, I DON'T EVEN REMEMBER ANY OTHER BAND!!
NO ONE ELSE HAS A RIGHT TO WIN!!
I PITY ANYONE WHO IS FORCED TO SHARE A STAGE WITH A PERFORMANCE LIKE THAT!!
BRAVO, NO NAME!!
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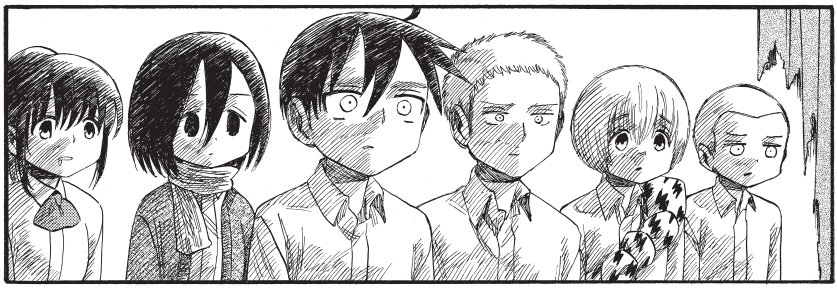

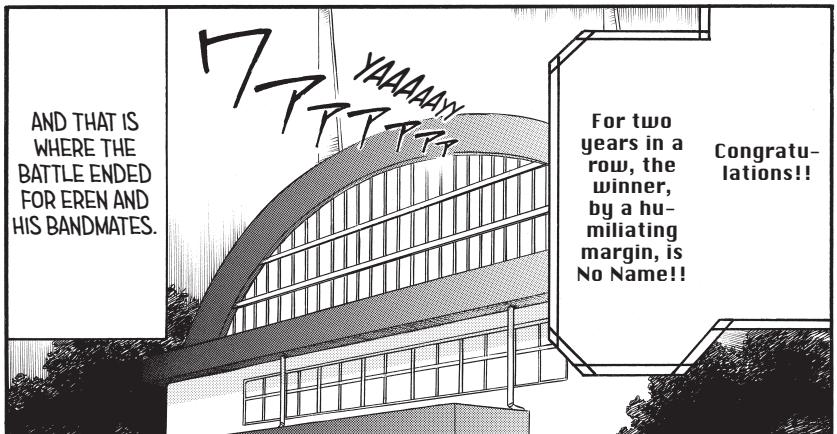
AND THAT IS WHERE THE BATTLE ENDED FOR EREN AND HIS BANDMATES.
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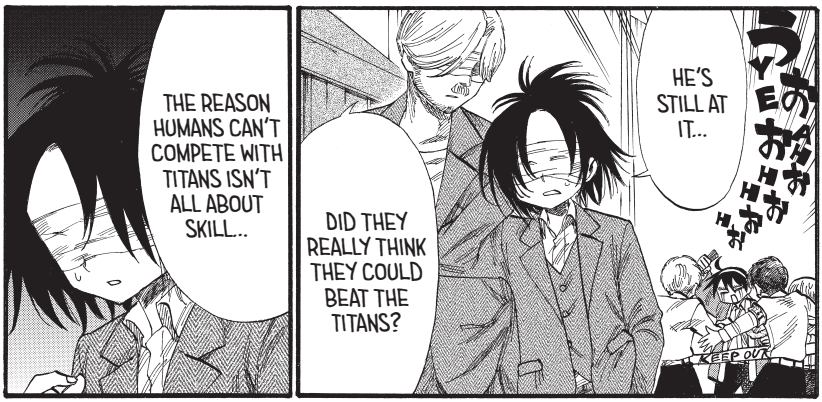
For two years in a row, the winner, by a humiliating margin, is No Name!!
Congratulations!!

...WE WEREN'T GOING TO LET SOME FIRST YEARS GO THROUGH THAT...
JUST A MINUTE!!
I MEAN, I GUESS THAT OTHER BAND WANTED TO WIN, TOO, BUT...
I'M HAPPY WE MANAGED TO WIN THIS YEAR, TOO.
YEAH, THANK YOU!
I'M SO GLAD THAT YOU WON!
WAIT! IF YOU HAVE OBJECTIONS, THEN TAKE IT TO THE JUDGES...
WELL, I'LL SHOW YOU!! IF YOU GO TO THE FINALS NOW, I'LL...
Haven't they given up yet?
...YOU REALLY PULLED THE RUG OUT FROM UNDER US, HUH?
YEAH! I DON'T KNOW WHO YOU ARE, BUT...
ERE- UM, I MEAN, DO YOU WANT SOMETHING YOUNG MAN?
IN THE HAZARDOUS BAND BATTLE, WILL EREN (THROUGH SOMEBODY ELSE'S EFFORTS) SEE HIS REVENGE FULFILLED?!
UH... THANKS.
Shudder
AND IF YOU CAN'T BEAT THE TITANS, I'LL... I'LL... I'LL JUST CRY!!
No Name
N.N
No Name
...CHEER YOU ON WITH EVERY OUNCE OF MY LITTLE FANNISH HEART!!


HE'S STILL AT IT...
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HEY! LOOK AT HOW MUCH THEY'RE OVER-CHARGING, SASHA!
ALL THESE PRICES HAVE BEEN CHANGED!
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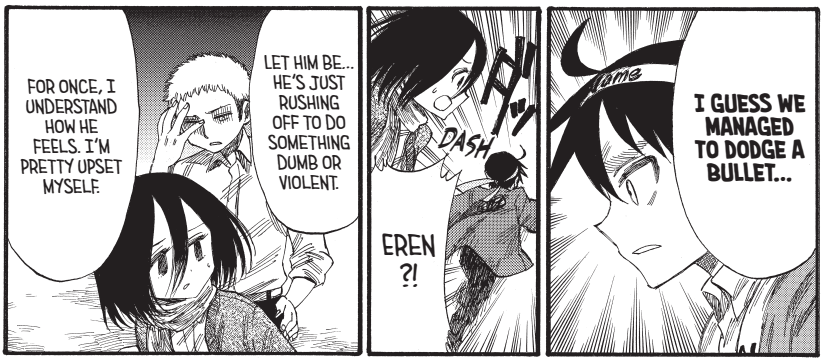
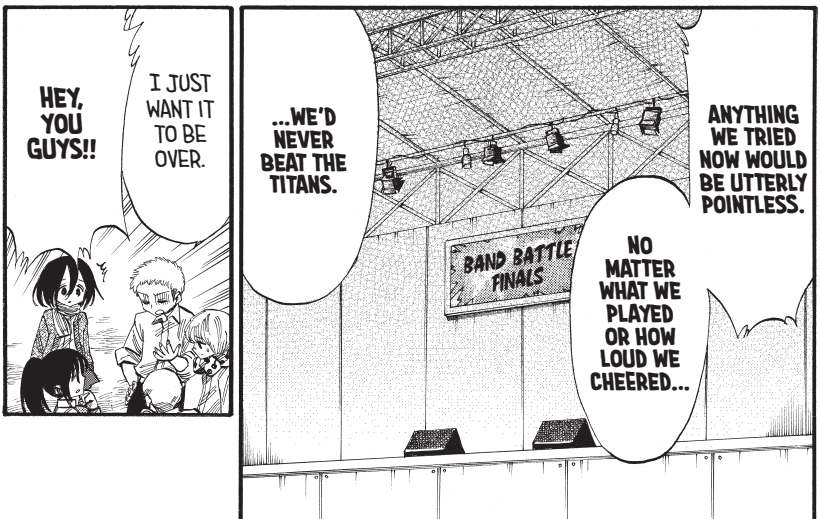
WHAA ?!
IT LOOKS LIKE SOME BAD MERCHANT...
...BUT WHO WOULD ...
AH HA HA HA HA!! MY MISERLY HEART LEAPS FOR JOY!
IT'S JUST LIKE THE TEACHER SAID!!
MY CASHBOX RUNNETH OVER WITH PROFITS SELLING NO NAME SOUVENIRS TO THOSE FIRST-YEAR FOOLS!!
AH HA HA HA HA HA
THEY DON'T STAND A CHANCE AT WINNING, BUT THE UNINITIATED FIRST YEARS CHEER FOR THEM ANYWAY!! THE UPPERCLASSMEN KNOW WHAT TO EXPECT.
I bought this paparazzi photo!
The guy on the drums is just my type!
That's too cool!
I'M NOT SURE WHY I'M EXPLANING MY EVIL SCHEME OUT LOUD, BUT...
...THIS WHOLE EVENT IS JUST A FARCE!!
GRIMP!!

WHAT IS GOING ON HERE?!
HUH?!
WHAT DO YOU MEAN NO "CHANCE OF WINNING"?! YOU'RE SAYING THAT NO NAME DOESN'T HAVE THE SKILLS TO BEAT THE TITANS?
EH? YOU WERE EAVES-DROPPING?!
No, you were yelling.
LOOK, I WON'T RAT ON YOU FOR GOUGING YOUR CUSTOMERS, BUT YOU'LL HAVE TO EXPLAIN THIS!!
REALLY ?!
OKAY, FIRST ...
IT'S FIXED?!
YES! SURE, THE TITANS HAVE MORE POWER IN THE SCHOOL, BUT ALL THE JUDGES ARE IN ON IT, TOO!
EVEN IF THE HUMANS PLAYED YYZ ON EXPERT, THEY'D NEVER WIN!
AND CHANG-ING THE SUBJECT A LITTLE ...
BAND BATTLE FINALS
"Fixed?" You mean the contest can't have puppies?
...LAST YEAR, WHEN NO NAME PLAYED IN THE FINALS, WE COULDN'T EVEN GET IN!
THEY HAD RESERVED MOST OF THE SPACE IN THE AUDIENCE FOR TITANS WHO I HEAR BOOED THE ENTIRE TIME.

IN OTHER WORDS, THE REAL POINT OF FIXING THE CONTEST ISN'T SO THE TITANS WIN. IT'S TO HUMILIATE THE HUMANS.
NO SANE HUMAN WOULD EVER CHOOSE TO APPEAR IN A THING LIKE THAT TWICE.
SO NO NAME ARE EITHER STUPID, BRAIN DAMAGED, MASOCHISTIC, OR INSANE.
NO MATTER WHO WON, IT WOULD HAVE COME OUT THE SAME?
DIDN'T NO NAME REALIZE IT'S FIXED?


I GUESS WE MANAGED TO DODGE A BULLET...
Annie
DASH
EREN ?!
LET HIM BE... HE'S JUST RUSHING OFF TO DO SOMETHING DUMB OR VIOLENT.
FOR ONCE, I UNDERSTAND HOW HE FEELS. I'M PRETTY UPSET MYSELF.


ANYTHING WE TRIED NOW WOULD BE UTTERLY POINTLESS.
NO MATTER WHAT WE PLAYED OR HOW LOUD WE CHEERED...
BAND BATTLE FINALS
...WE'D NEVER BEAT THE TITANS.
I JUST WANT IT TO BE OVER.
HEY, YOU GUYS!!

BAND BATTLE FINALS
EREN, THAT'S...
BWA...
HUH...?

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IF YOU DON'T LIKE IT, YOU CAN LEAVE, YOU KNOW.
I DON'T REMEMBER EVER SAYING I WANTED TO DO THIS WITH YOU.
I KNOW YOU NEVER SAID ANYTHING.
HUMPH
AFTER ALL, I KNOW I'M THE ONE WHO SUGGESTED IT.
BESIDES ...
IT WAS ENOUGH FOR ME JUST TO KNOW THAT WE MANAGED TO KEEP THE FIRST YEARS OUT OF IT.
GWAAAAAAHH
WAAA
AAAAA!!
THE FIRST YEARS!!
WHAT THE EXPLETIVE ARE THEY DOING THERE?!
EVERYBODY, JUST HANG IN THERE FOR A FEW MORE MINUTES!!
I'M SURE THEY'RE GOING TO DO WHAT WE TALKED ABOUT!!
DAMMIT!! DON'T YOU DARE MOVE, YOU TITANS!!
BLEAAH! MY LUNCH IS COMING BACK UP!!

SPRRRITTZ
GLUP
GLUP
GLUP
TAK
TAK
TAK
TAK
BURP
SPRRITTZ
WH-
WHAT'S
GOING
ON?
BAM
BAM
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WHOOSH
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YAGGAAAGAAH!!
THE TITANS ARE EVEN MORE WORKED UP!! THIS IS DANGER-OUS!!
BUT WE HAVE TO PROTECT EREN, NO MATTER WHAT?!
AUGH!
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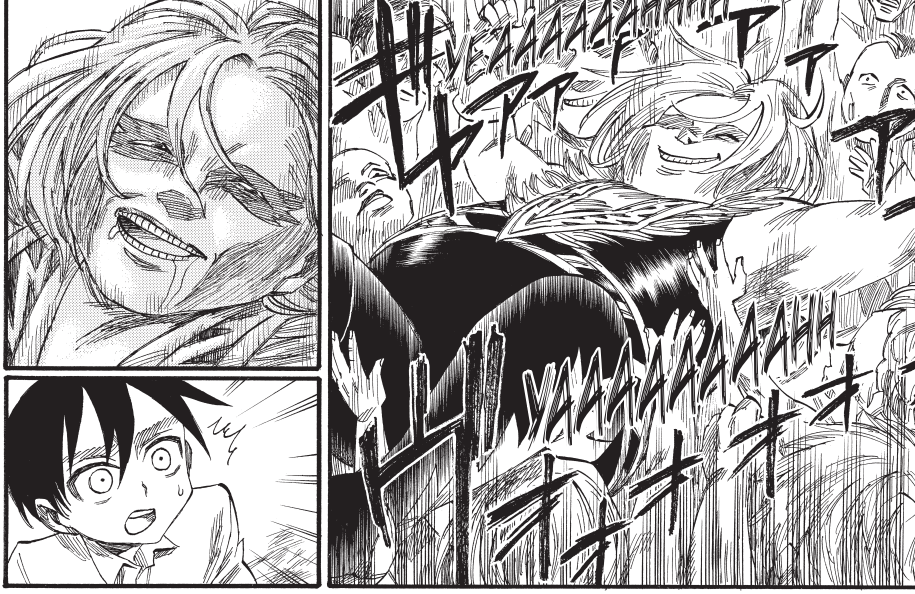
CRUNCH
JEAAAAN!!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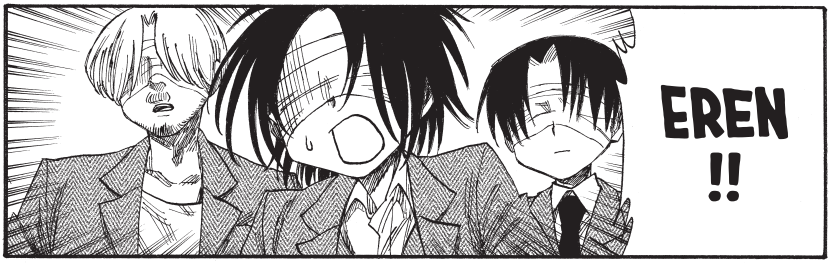
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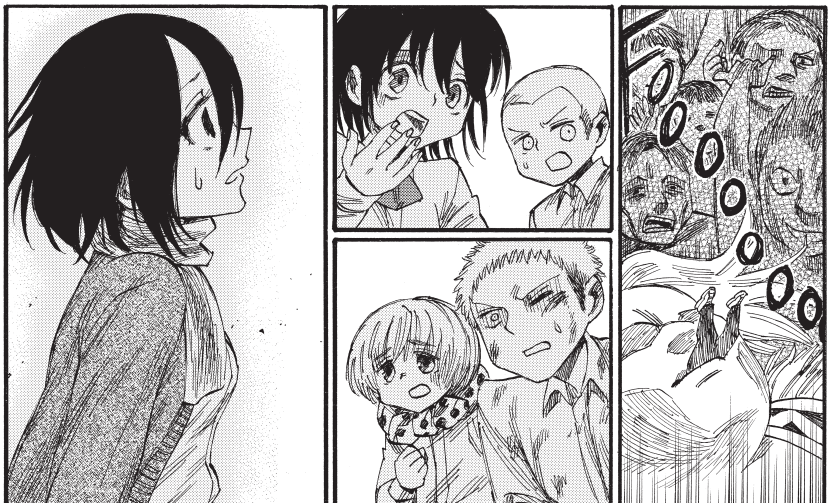

THAT'S THE MOST KILLER PART OF THE TITANS' PERFORMANCE!
AND EREN JUST HAD TO BUMBLE IN RIGHT IN THE MIDDLE OF IT...
BUT WHAT DID HE DO IT FOR...?
TREMBLE
TREMBLE
TWITCH
DOSHAAAM

ZUP
THE TITAN... PASSED OUT...?!
THAT ISN'T HOW THE PERFORMANCE USUALLY GOES...
EREN !!
BUT WHY...
YOU MEAN FROM THE VERY FIRST, HE MEANT TO GO INSIDE THE TITAN'S MOUTH?
H-HE'S WEARING...
...A SUICIDE VEST MADE OF WASABI !!
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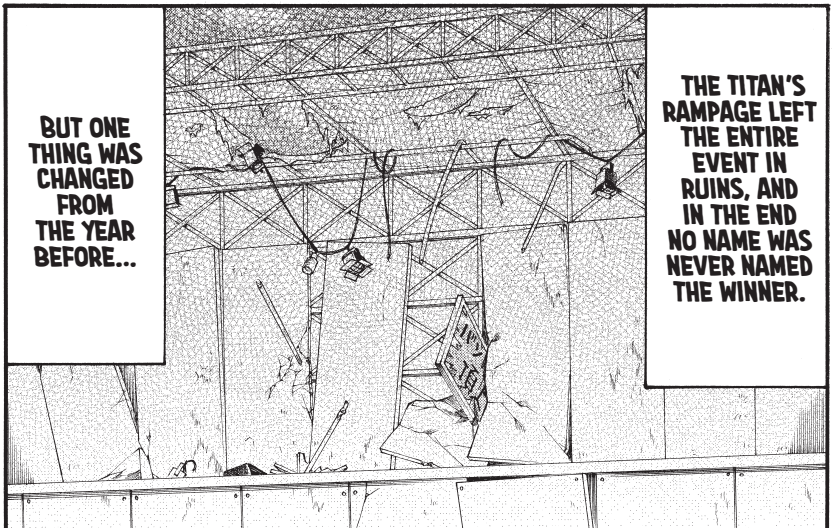
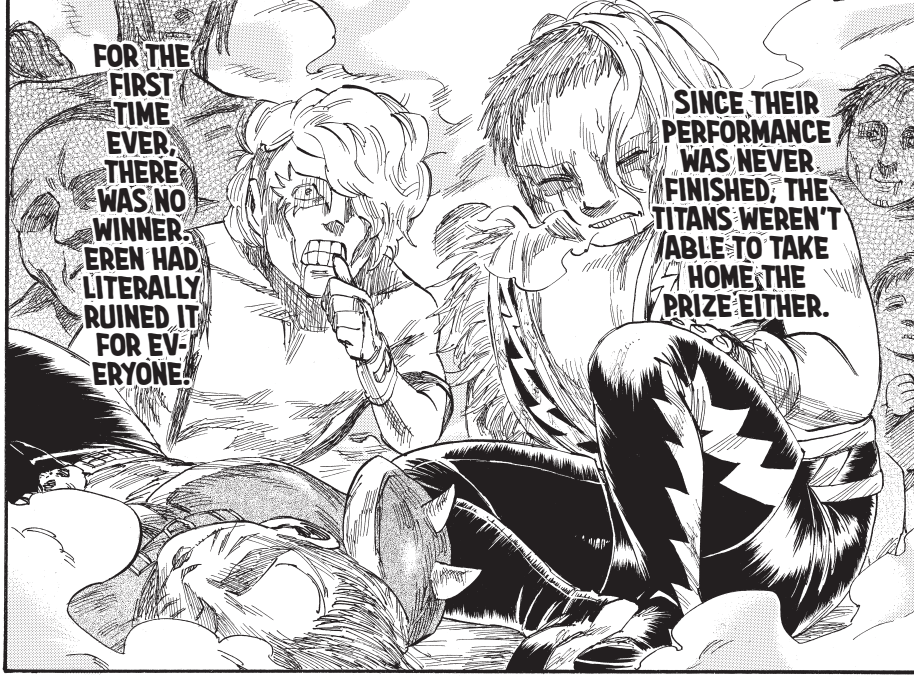
THE MISSION WAS A SUCCESS!!
YOU DID IT, EREN!

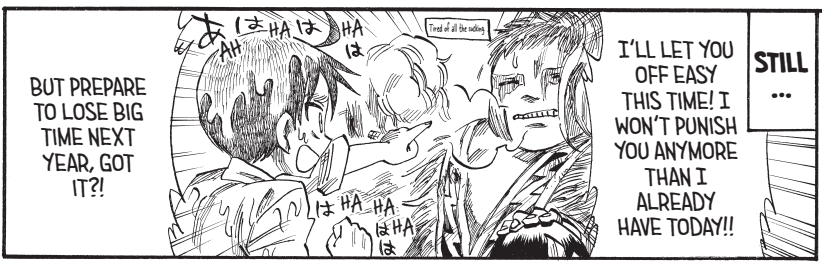
EREN...
I'M TOUCHED... THAT BELLIGERANT PEON SACRIFICED HIMSELF FOR US...
I THOUGHT THERE WAS NO POSSIBLE WAY WE COULD WIN...
...BUT MAYBE... JUST MAYBE, THIS YEAR...
...WE CAN FIND A WAY...
...TO BEAT THE TITANS !!
THERE'S NO WAY IN HELL.
HUH?
NO NAME'S MYSTERIOUS VOCALIST WAS RIGHT...
WAAAAAH !!
THE JUDGES... AAAAAA AAAAGH !!
GAUMMPH

THE MASTER OF CER-EMONIES !!
SHUUURRRP
Bweeeghh!!
GRAB
Uh oh...
They haven't even had a chance to judge yet...
You stop that right now!!
HEEEE!!

SEE?
JEEEAAAA!!!
NOOOOOOOOO!!!


BUT ONE THING WAS CHANGED FROM THE YEAR BEFORE...
THE TITAN'S RAMPAGE LEFT THE ENTIRE EVENT IN RUINS, AND IN THE END NO NAME WAS NEVER NAMED THE WINNER.


FOR THE FIRST TIME EVER, THERE WAS NO WINNER. EREN HAD LITERALLY RUINED IT FOR EV-ERYONE!
SINCE THEIR PERFORMANCE WAS NEVER FINISHED, THE TITANS WEREN'T ABLE TO TAKE HOME THE PRIZE EITHER.


BUT PREPARE TO LOSE BIG TIME NEXT YEAR, GOT IT?!
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Tired of all the talking
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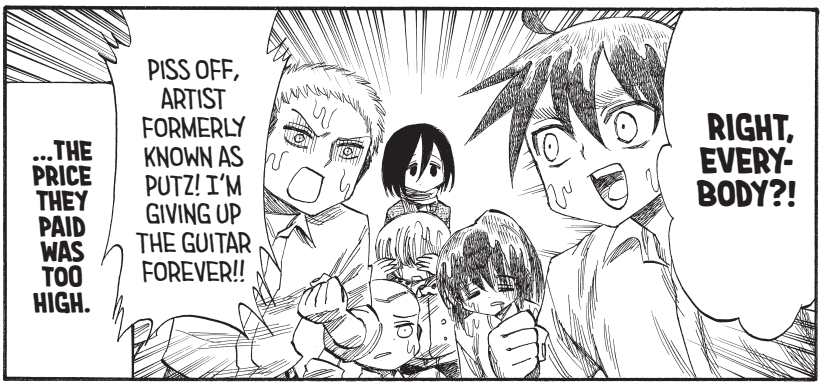
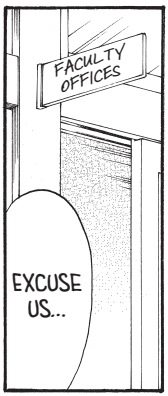
I'LL LET YOU OFF EASY THIS TIME! I WON'T PUNISH YOU ANYMORE THAN I ALREADY HAVE TODAY!!
STILL ...


...THE PRICE THEY PAID WAS TOO HIGH.
PISS OFF, ARTIST FORMERLY KNOWN AS PUTZ! I'M GIVING UP THE GUITAR FOREVER!!
RIGHT, EVERY-BODY?!

HEY! DON'T LET A FEW INNOCENT DEATHS GET YOU DOWN!
NEXT YEAR, WE WILL CRUSH THE TITANS WITH OUR OWN ROCK!
TAP
TAP

I NEVER THOUGHT FOR A SECOND THAT WE'D GET CHEWED OUT BY THE TEACHERS.
WELL, WE DID KIND OF RUIN THE FESTIVAL. AND LIKE TWELVE PEOPLE GOT TRAMPLED.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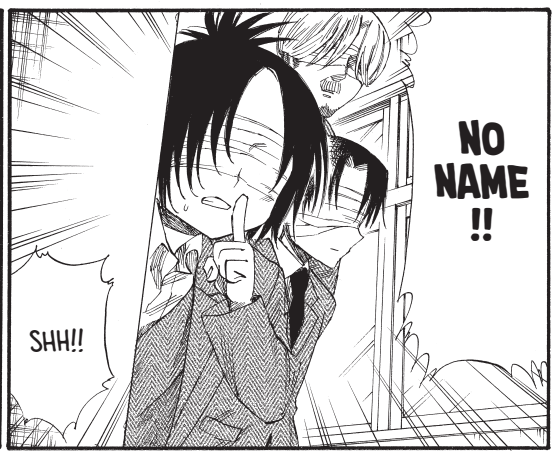
EXCUSE US...

KEEP IT DOWN! WE DON'T WANT OUR FANS TO HEAR...
WE JUST WANTED TO SAY A WORD OF THANKS...


NO NAME !!
SHH!!

YOU PROBABLY ALREADY REALIZED, BUT THERE WAS NO WAY WE COULD HAVE WON THAT COMPETITION.
WE WENT INTO IT KNOWING THAT.
IT'S REALLY FRIGHTENING JUST TO STAND ON THAT STAGE.
THAT'S WHY WE FELT YOU SAVED US WHEN YOU APPEARED THERE.
REALLY. THANK YOU!
FROM THE BOTTOM OF OUR HEARTS!
NO WAY!
I COULDN'T TAKE IT THAT TALENTED PEOPLE LIKE YOU COULDN'T WIN!
I ONLY DID IT BECAUSE THE TITANS GET ON MY NERVES.
EREN!
HA
HUH? YOU KNOW WHO I AM...?
AH! UH, NO... YOUR FRIENDS CALLED YOUR NAME.
EREN IS RIGHT, ISN'T IT? YOU'RE CALLED EREN?
Fool

UM, ANYWAY. SINCE WE'RE HERE, WE'D LIKE TO DO SOMETHING TO THANK YOU.
AND SINCE IT'S STILL THE CULTURE FESTIVAL, HOW ABOUT WE TREAT YOU TO FOOD AT THE BOOTHS? COME WITH US!
WHA?!
NAW. NO THANKS.
WE HAVE TO BE SURE TO WIN THE BAND BATTLE NEXT YEAR...
...SO WE FIGURED WE'D GET BACK TO PRACTICING!!
WE'RE GOING TO BE BIGGER THAN TITAN JESUS!!
YOU ARE GOING TO CHEER US ON, RIGHT?
WELL, UM...
I'M JUST GOING TO KEEP AWAY FROM THE WHOLE FESTIVAL NEXT YEAR. I'M DELICATE, AFTER ALL...
SO I'LL TAKE A RAIN CHECK ON...
WAIT A MINUTE !!
WHY DO YOU THINK WE WENT THROUGH ALL THIS IN THE FIRST PLACE?
HOW CAN YOU THINK OF PRACTICING AT A TIME LIKE THIS?!

NOW GET OUT THERE AND EAT UNTIL YOU PUKE!! CAKE!! PIZZA!! ICE CREAM!! I WANT TO SEE COTTON CANDY JUICES DRIBBLING OUT OF EVERY ORIFICE!!
LISTEN UP, YOU WORMS!
WE SACRIFICED OURSELVES SO YOU UNGRATEFUL IDIOTS COULD HAVE FUN AT THE FESTIVAL!

WHOOSH
WHOOSH
WHOOSH
HUH?

THREE DAYS LATER, THERE WASN'T ONE BAND MEMBER WHO REMEMBERED HOW TO PLAY A NOTE.
YUMMY
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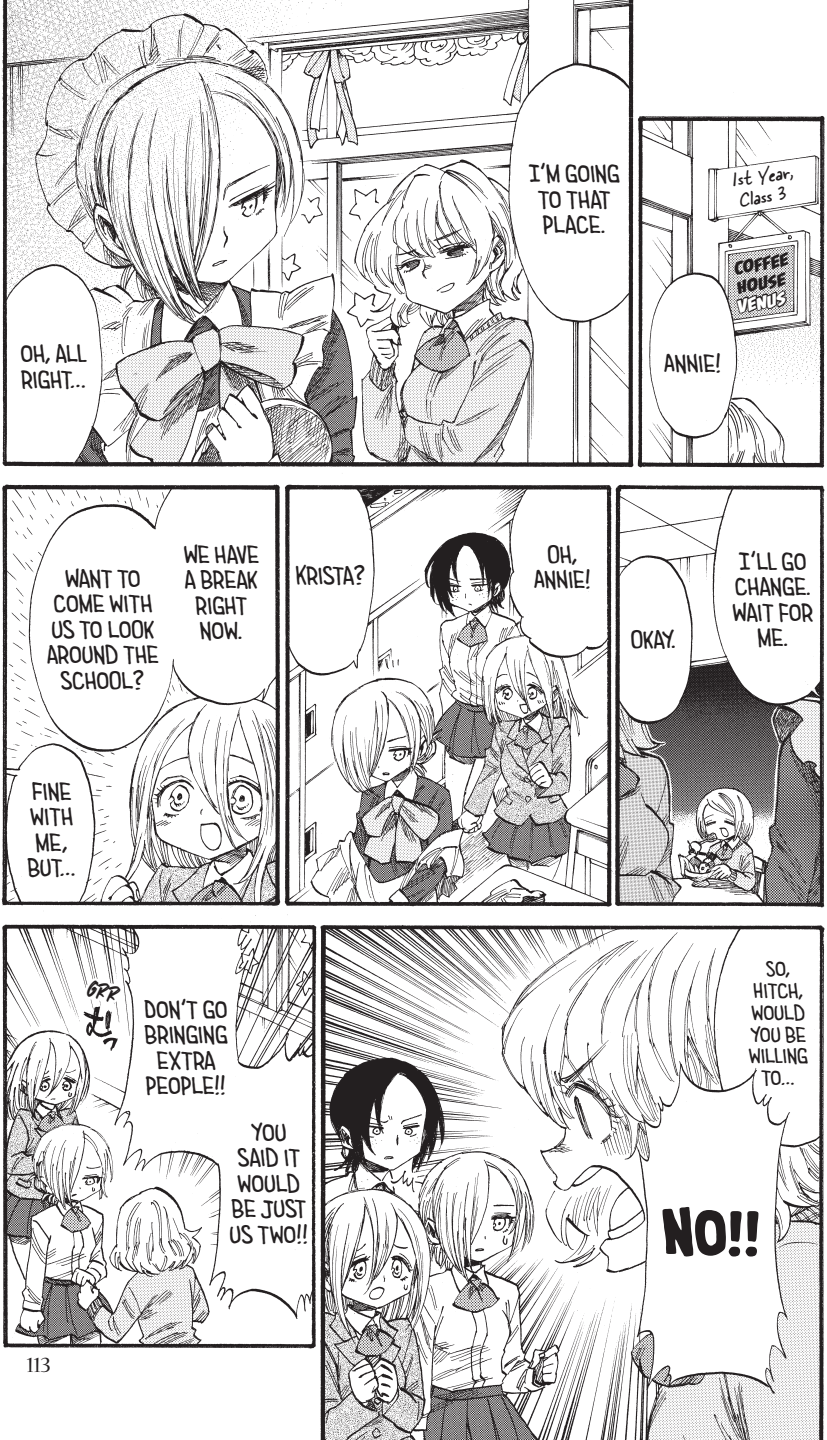
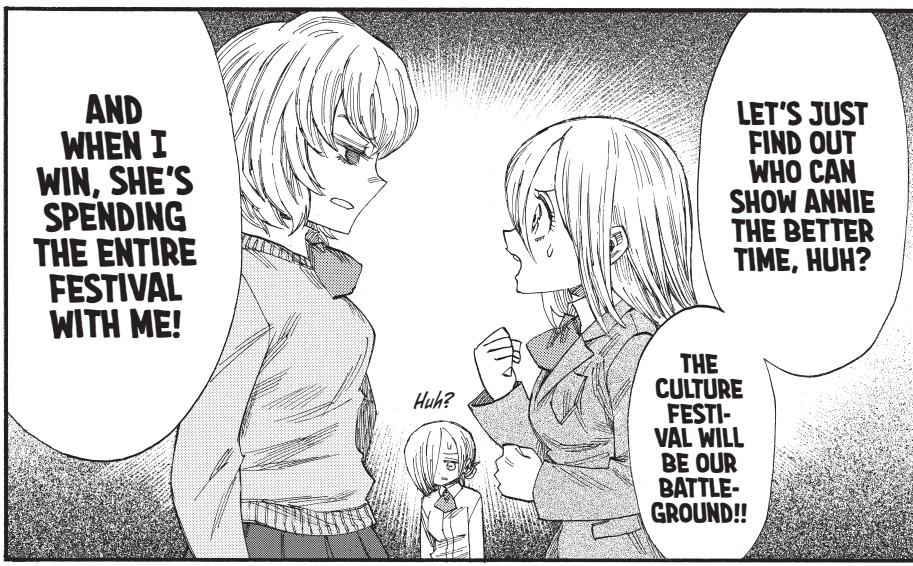
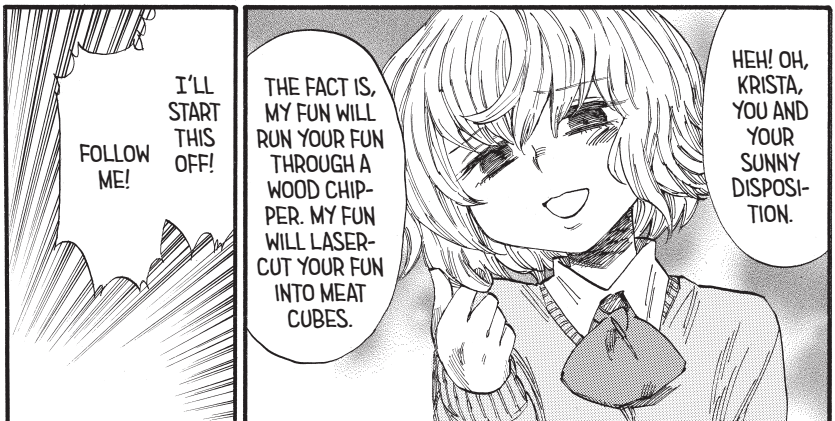
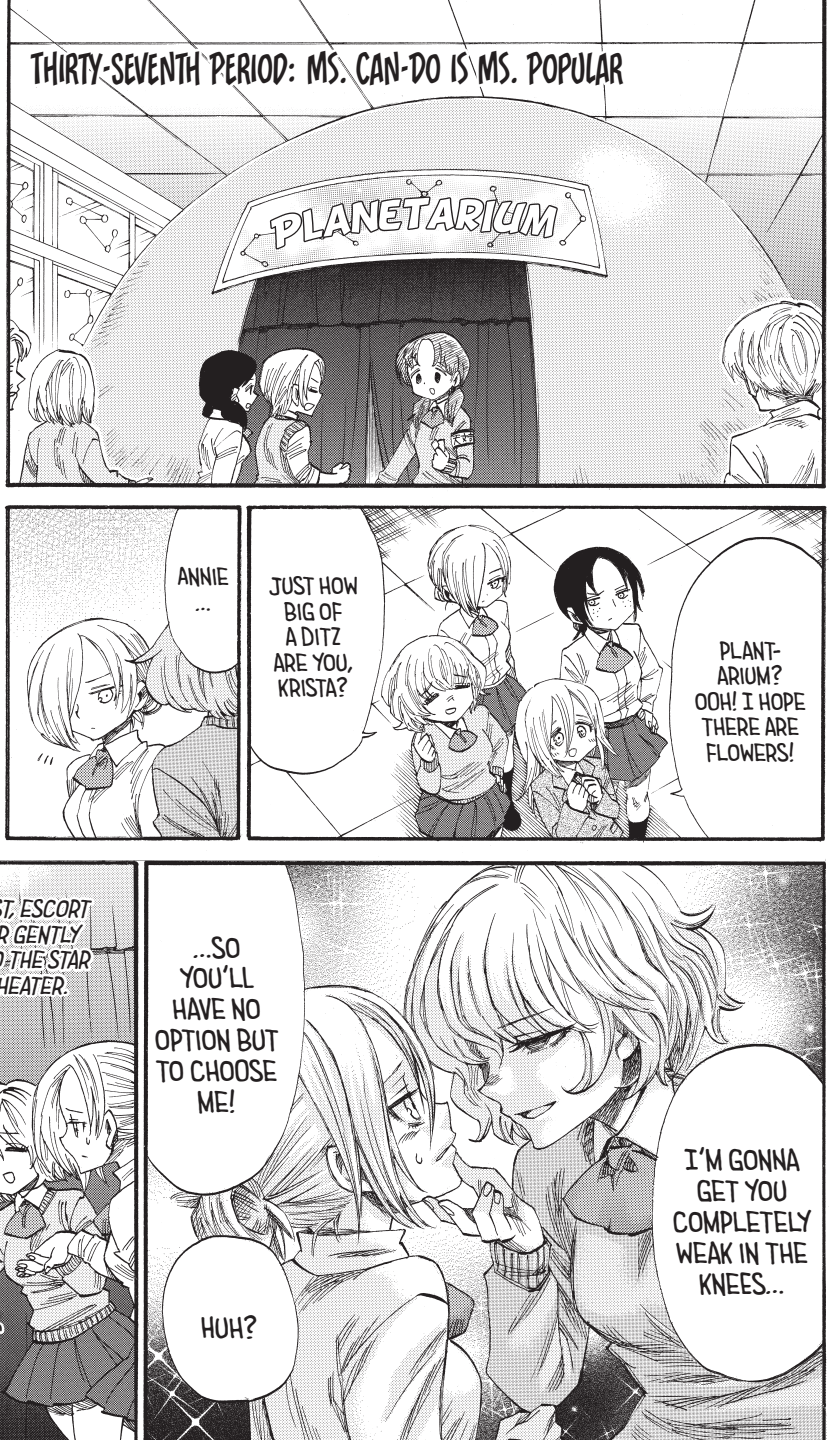
YUMMY
HEY!! YOU TRAITORS !!
WE'RE ARTISTS! LASER-FOCUSED ON OUR DREAMS, WE SET OUT ON A JOURN...
NO!! WE WON'T BE TEMPTED BY TREATS OR GAMES!
WHOOSH


I'M GOING TO THAT PLACE.
OH, ALL RIGHT...
1st Year, Class 3
COFFEE HOUSE VENUS
ANNIE!
WE HAVE A BREAK RIGHT NOW.
WANT TO COME WITH US TO LOOK AROUND THE SCHOOL?
FINE WITH ME, BUT...
KRISTA?
OH, ANNIE!
I'LL GO CHANGE. WAIT FOR ME.
OKAY.
GRR
DON'T GO BRINGING EXTRA PEOPLE!!
YOU SAID IT WOULD BE JUST US TWO!!
SO, HITCH, WOULD YOU BE WILLING TO...
NO!!

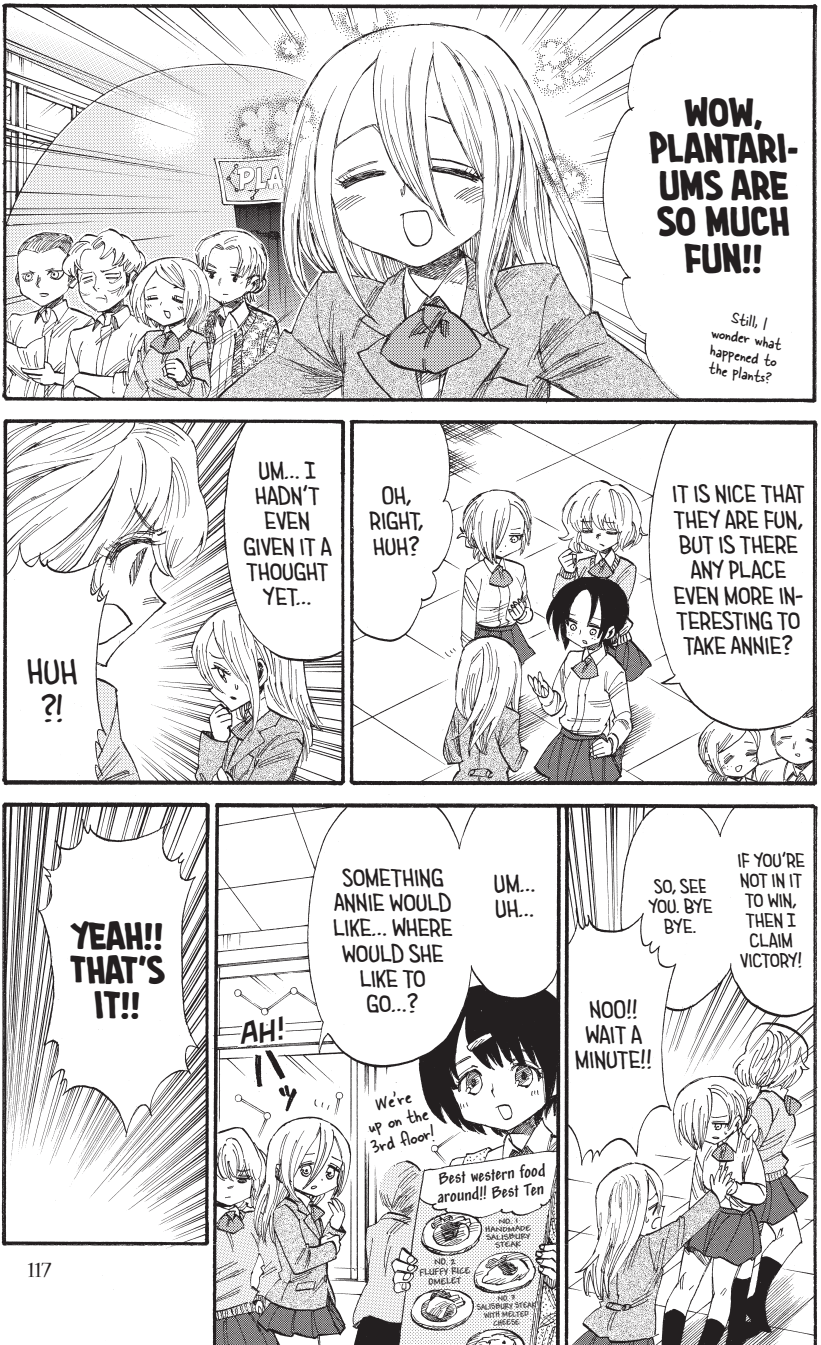
WELL IF THAT'S HOW YOU'RE GONNA BE...
BACK OFF, KRISTA!!
SHE PROMISED ME AND ONLY ME!
WE AREN'T "EXTRA PEOPLE"! WE'RE HER CLASSMATES!
ANNIE ISN'T JUST YOUR FRIEND, YOU KNOW!!


AND WHEN I WIN, SHE'S SPENDING THE ENTIRE FESTIVAL WITH ME!
Huh?
THE CULTURE FESTIVAL WILL BE OUR BATTLEGROUND!!
LET'S JUST FIND OUT WHO CAN SHOW ANNIE THE BETTER TIME, HUH?


FOLLOW ME!
I'LL START THIS OFF!
THE FACT IS, MY FUN WILL RUN YOUR FUN THROUGH A WOOD CHIPPER. MY FUN WILL LASERCUT YOUR FUN INTO MEAT CUBES.
HEH! OH, KRISTA, YOU AND YOUR SUNNY DISPOSITION.


THIRTY-SEVENTH PERIOD: MS. CAN-DO IS MS. POPULAR
PLANETARIUM
ANNIE ...
JUST HOW BIG OF A DITZ ARE YOU, KRISTA?
PLANT-ARIUM? OOH! I HOPE THERE ARE FLOWERS!
FIRST, ESCORT HER GENTLY INTO THE STAR THEATER.
Watch your step now!
...SO YOU'LL HAVE NO OPTION BUT TO CHOOSE ME!
HUH?
I'M GONNA GET YOU COMPLETELY WEAK IN THE KNEES...

AND JUST AS THE MOOD IS FEELING RIGHT...
HEY, A SHOOTING STAR...
HOLD HER HAND DURING THE SHOW.
Uh...
NOW LEAD HER TO THE BEST SEAT THAT YOU'VE RESERVED.
You can cover your legs with this.
...
...THEN YOU WILL BE MINE!
YOU SHINE BRIGHTER THAN ANY OF THESE!
I'M SHINY? MUST'VE FORGOTTEN TO WASH MY FACE.
ANYWAY, I'M WATCHING THE SHOW.
Keep your comments in your pocket.
AH... OKAY.
Yes...
Aren't they pretty, Ymir?


WOW, PLANTARI-UMS ARE SO MUCH FUN!!
Still, I wonder what happened to the plants?
IT IS NICE THAT THEY ARE FUN, BUT IS THERE ANY PLACE EVEN MORE INTERESTING TO TAKE ANNIE?
OH, RIGHT, HUH?
UM... I HADN'T EVEN GIVEN IT A THOUGHT YET...
HUH ?!
IF YOU'RE NOT IN IT TO WIN, THEN I CLAIM VICTORY!
SO, SEE YOU. BYE BYE.
NOO!! WAIT A MINUTE!!
UM... UH...
SOMETHING ANNIE WOULD LIKE... WHERE WOULD SHE LIKE TO GO...?
AH!
We're up on the 3rd floor!
Best western food around!! Best Ten
NO. 1 HANDMADE SALISBURY STEAK
NO. 2 FLUFFY RICE OMELET
NO. 3 SALISBURY STEAK WITH MELTED CHEESE
YEAH!! THAT'S IT!!

COME ON, ANNIE!!
WE CAN GET UP CLOSE AND PERSONAL WITH THE COWS!
Ranching Research Club's
MILKING
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AW! LITTLE BUNNIE-WUNNIES ARE HERE TOO!
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EEEEE
AND CHICKE-WICKIES!!
COCKA-DOODLE...
AND GOATIE-WOATIES!
CRUNCH
CRUNCH
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AH HA HA HA HA HA
YOU'RE ONLY HERE BECAUSE YOU THINK IT'S FUN!!
HUH? THAT ISN'T TRUE...

ANNIE, YOU LIKE CHEESE MEATLOAF, RIGHT?!
HUH?
WELL, I HEARD CHEESE IS MADE OF MILK...
...AND MEATLOAF IS MADE OF BEEF...
...AND BEEF COMES FROM A COW!!
MILK
ANNIE LOVES CHEESE MEATLOAF. CHEESE MEATLOAF COMES FROM COWS!!
ヒゾ VSSHT
HUCUCH
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THEREFORE, ANNIE LOVES COWS!!
NO, I DON'T.
EHHH?!
BUT... MY ARGUMENT WAS FOOLPROOF... IT HAD SILLYJISM.
DOES THAT MEAN THAT YOU WON'T GO THROUGH THE CULTURE FESTIVAL WITH ME ...?
SNIFF
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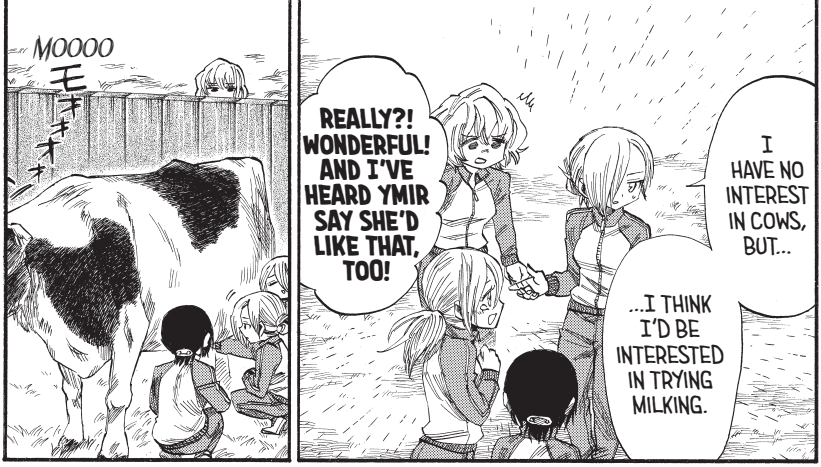
MOOOO
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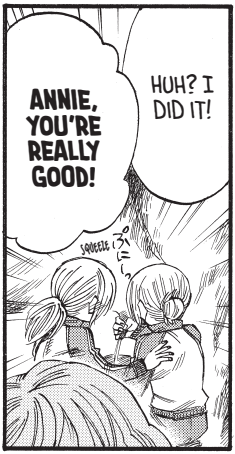
I HAVE NO INTEREST IN COWS, BUT...
...I THINK I'D BE INTERESTED IN TRYING MILKING.
REALLY?! WONDERFUL! AND I'VE HEARD YMIR SAY SHE'D LIKE THAT, TOO!


ANNIE, YOU'RE REALLY GOOD!
HUH? I DID IT!
SQUEEZE
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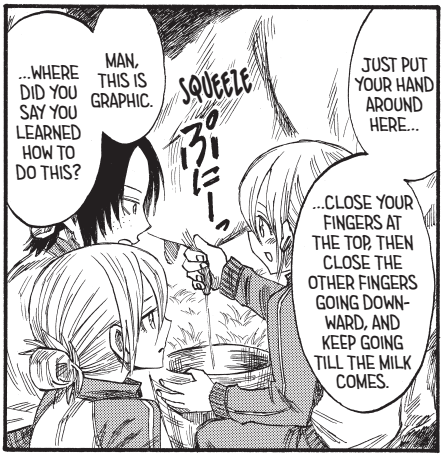
...WHERE DID YOU SAY YOU LEARNED HOW TO DO THIS?
MAN, THIS IS GRAPHIC.
SQUEEZE
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JUST PUT YOUR HAND AROUND HERE...
...CLOSE YOUR FINGERS AT THE TOP, THEN CLOSE THE OTHER FINGERS GOING DOWN-WARD, AND KEEP GOING TILL THE MILK COMES.

I DON'T REALLY KNOW WHERE TO GRAB.
LET ME HELP! I LEARNED HOW FROM A VIDEO ON MY DAD'S COM-PUTER...
SQUEEZE
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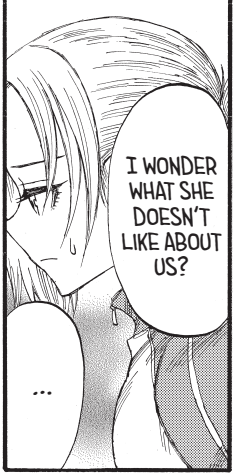
THAT WAS VERY FUN.
AH!

YES...
Whoa, momma.
ALL RIGHT!
LOOK AT HOW MUCH WE THREE SQUEEZED OUT!

SORRY... I DIDN'T MEAN TO LEAVE YOU OUT...
HITCH...
SKRITCH
SKRITCH
SKRITCH
SO JUST GO WITH THEM TO WHEREVER YOU WANT TO GO...
CAN'T YOU SEE...? I'M SULKING BECAUSE I LOST...!!
IF YOU WANT, YOU CAN TUG THE UDDERS TOO...
NOT EVEN IF YOU PAID ME!!
OH, KRISTA, JUST FORGET ABOUT HER. YURI JEALOUSY HAS A WAY OF WORKING ITSELF OUT. BELIEVE ME, I SHOULD KNOW.
...WHILE HITCH WAS GETTING ALL YURI MANGA JEALOUS ON ME.
HERE I WAS, HAVING FUN GRAB-BING COW NIPPLES...
H!
DASH
HITCH!!
ANNIE NO BAKA!!
EVEN THOUGH YOU PROMISED YOU'D GO WITH ME!!

IF I DIDN'T GO, I'D...
SORRY, KRISTA... I'M GOING AFTER HITCH.
I'LL PROBABLY BE RIGHT BACK.


I WONDER WHAT SHE DOESN'T LIKE ABOUT US?
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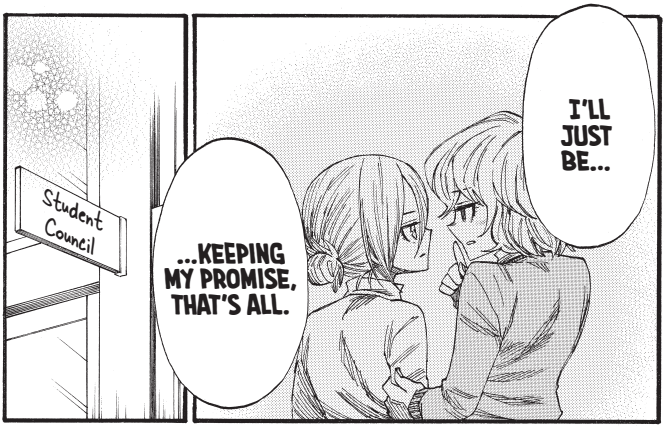
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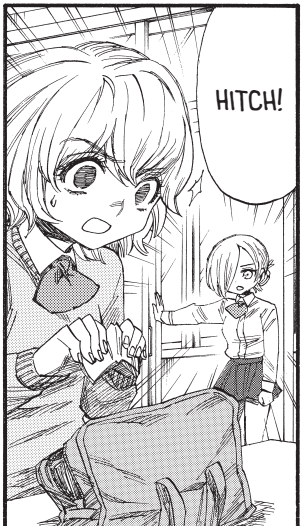
...KEEPING MY PROMISE, THAT'S ALL.
I'LL JUST BE...

NO, IT'S ALL RIGHT.
THAT'S FINE, ANNIE. GO AND SPEND AS MUCH TIME AS YOU LIKE!


HITCH!

RIP

WHAT'RE YOU HERE FOR? IT'S TOO LATE FOR...
AREN'T YOU STILL PLAYING FARMER WITH SQUISHY-THIGHS AND HER CREEPY SHADOW?
WELL, I'M GONG HOME.
SST
ANNIE-CHAN...
I COULDN'T SAY IT IN FRONT OF EVERYONE ELSE.
BUT... I ACTUALLY REALLY WANTED TO GO TO THIS PLACE.
AND... I SEE YOU HAVE TWO TICKETS. ONE FOR YOU, AND... ONE FOR ME, RIGHT?
WELL, IF YOU INSIST...
...I'LL GO WITH YOU.
BUT I HAVE ABSOLUTELY NO INTEREST IN IT MYSELF!!
YEAH, SURE.

3-4
Café
ONE DRINK 300 YEN
FLUFFY HOUSE
WAAAHH!! IT'S SOOO CUTE!!
I JUST LOVE KITTIES! THEY'RE SO CUTE AND FURRY!
SO SOFT AND FLUFFY !!
AND THEIR PAWS ARE SO SPRINGY!
Blocking other's view of Hitch.
AWWWW! I CAN'T STAND IT!!
A bit noisy, huh?
The girl next door seems really happy.

BUT DON'T BREATHE A WORD OF THIS TO ANYONE ELSE, GOT IT?
I REALLY, REALLY WANT TO GO.
YEAH! AT THE CULTURE FESTIVAL HERE...
A CAT CAFÉ?
Cat Café
FLUFFY MOUS
5th Floor 2-4 Classrooms
I GUESS I DON'T HATE THEM OR ANYTHING.
ANNIE, YOU'RE OKAY WITH CATS, AREN'T YOU?
AH!
I KIND OF DOUBT ANYONE REALLY THINKS OF HER AS A BADASS, THOUGH...
MRAOW!
SO THAT WAS WHAT IT WAS ABOUT.
I WOULDN'T WANT TO HURT MY REPUTATION AS A DRAMATIC BADASS!
AND AS PUNISHMENT, I'M GOING TO PET YOUR FURRY BELLY UNTIL YOU SQUIRM!
GOT YA!
WHUMPH
MEOW!
SAY, HITCH...
WAIT FOR ME, ITTY-BITTY KITTY CAT!

EYAAAAHH!!
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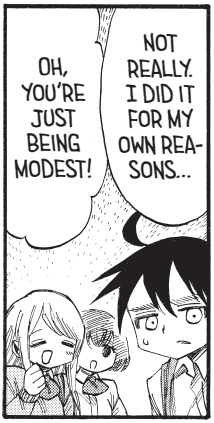
HITCH!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?!
THE COWS GOT TIRED AND STARTED KICKING ME.
SO YOU WUV KITTIE-WITTIES TOO, HITCH?!
...TRYING TO BEND THEM TO MY WILL!!
See? I commanded this kitty to Purr!
HUH?! THAT'S AMAZING!
I wanna try it too!
IT TURNED OUT THE ONLY WILL SHE COULD COMMAND WAS KRISTA'S.
OF COURSE NOT! CATS ARE PARASITIC MURDER-ERS...
N-NO...!!
I WAS JUST...

THE CULTURE FESTIVAL SURE WAS FUN, WASN'T IT?
AND WHAT'RE YOU STILL DOING WITH THAT GUITAR?
WHY ELSE DOES A TEEN-AGE BOY CARRY A GUITAR?
UH, YOUR HAIR MUST BE A FOOT TALLER TO MAKE THAT REFERENCE.
AFTER ALL, IT TURNED US FROM BOYS TO MEN.
I WON THE HEARTS OF ALL THE CUTE GIRLS DURING THE BATTLE, AND WITH THIS GUITAR, I SHALL REAP MY BOUNTY OF BOOTY!
THE PREPUBES-CENT THOM YORKE LOOK JUST MAKES ME HUNGRY.
THE GUITAR IS JUST SYM-BOLIC. ALL IT REALLY TAKES IS MY CHAR-ISMATIC MALE ESSENCE...
IT'S YOU!! HEY, WAIT!!
LLLLLLL LADIES...
TWIRL

HM?
AREN'T YOU THAT GUY FROM THE BATTLE OF THE BANDS?!


NOT REALLY. I DID IT FOR MY OWN REASONS...
OH, YOU'RE JUST BEING MODEST!

I MEAN, YOU JOINED THE BATTLE TO COVER FOR THEM, RIGHT?
IS IT TRUE THAT NO NAME'S SKIN SMELLS LIKE CLOVES AND RAW MEATLOAF?

UH, SORRY, I CAN'T TALK ABOUT IT.
IS IT TRUE THAT YOU'RE FRIENDS WITH NO NAME?!

I TOTALLY COULD, BUT I WON'T? PROBABLY?
AW, DON'T WORRY! I WON'T STEAL YOUR MAN! YES I WILL. NO I WON'T. WILL I?
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TEE HEE HEE HEE ふ、

H-HEY, WE'RE IN A HURRY HERE, AND...
WHAT?

WHEN'S IT GONNA BE JEAN'S TURN?!
WHY IS IT ALWAYS HIM...?!
GRIND
EXTRA!
EXTRA!
WHEN WILL JEAN GET A TASTE OF THAT SWEET, SWEET HONEY?!
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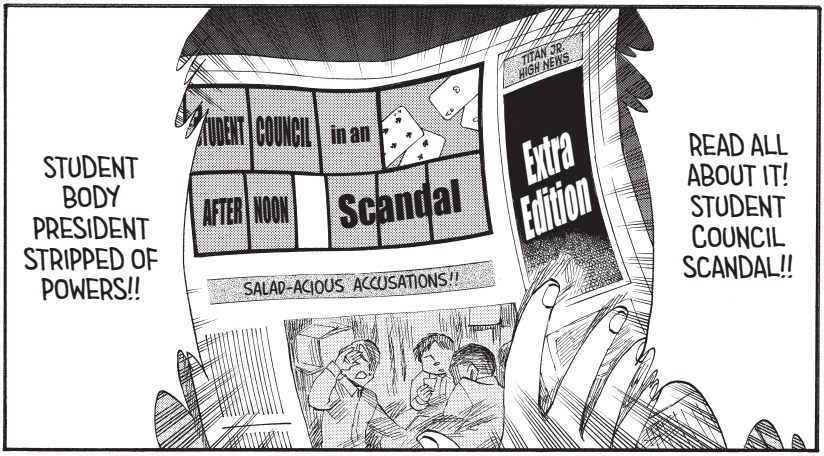
EVERYBODY WANTS TO RULE THE SCHOOL


STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT STRIPPED OF POWERS!!
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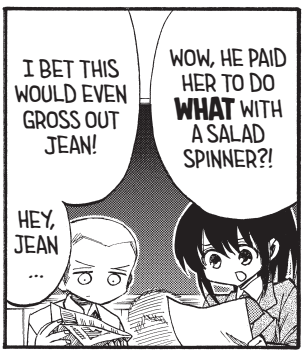
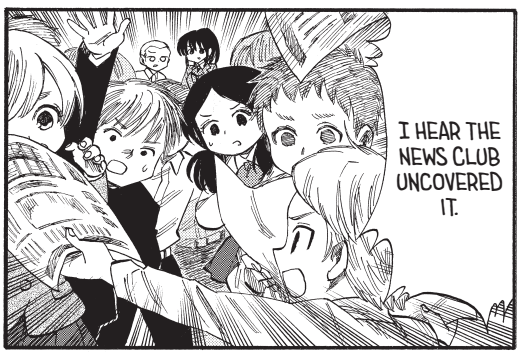
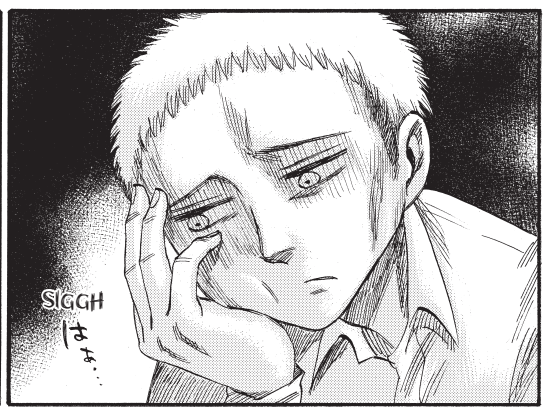
SALAD-ACIOUS ACCUSATIONS!!
READ ALL ABOUT IT! STUDENT COUNCIL SCANDAL!!


I BET THIS WOULD EVEN GROSS OUT JEAN!
WOW, HE PAID HER TO DO WHAT WITH A SALAD SPINNER?!
HEY, JEAN ...

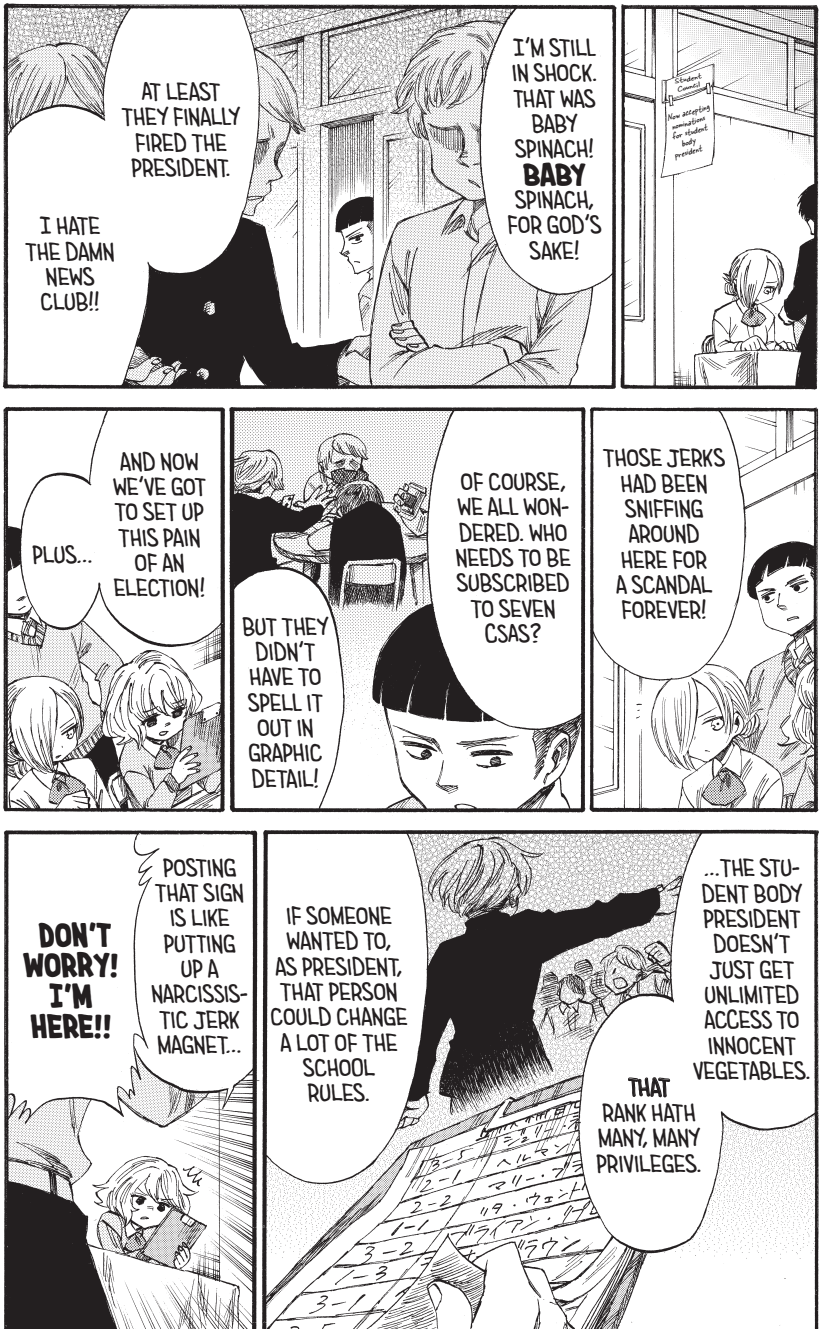

I HEAR THE NEWS CLUB UNCOVERED IT.

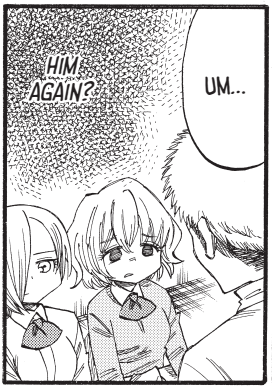
THIS RIGHT HERE IS WHY YOU CAN'T GET A DATE!
WHY DO GIRLS PAY ATTENTION TO THAT TITAN-OBSESSED IDIOT, BUT NOT TO SOMEONE WHO'S MATURE AND WILL TREAT THEM RIGHT NICE GUYS FINISH LAST FRIENDZONE POUT POUT POUT
CHUCK CHUCK CHUCK
IDIOT

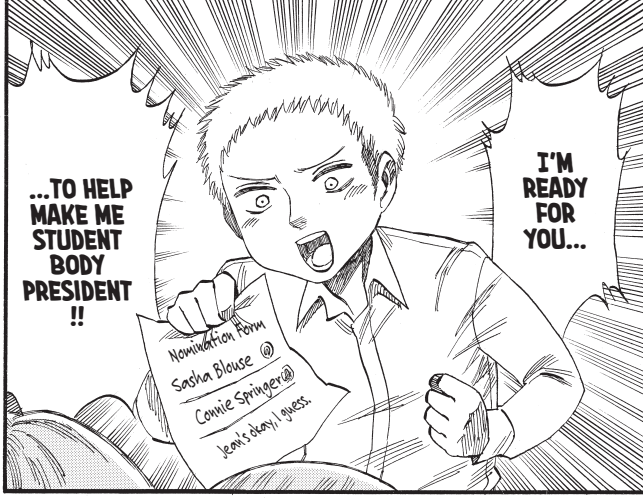

SIGGH
haaa...

I DON'T WANT ANY-BODY'S VOTES! BESIDES...
YOU'VE GOT NOTORE!—ER, NAME RECOGNITION IN THE SCHOOL, DON'T YOU?
WHY DON'T YOU RUN, EREN?
PLUS, EVERYONE KNOWS STUDENT COUNCIL IS LAME, ANYWAY.
THE SUB-ALTERN IS PISSED OFF! SUBVERT PARA-DIGMS!
WAIT A MINUTE, THIS ISN'T ABOUT THE TITANS... HOW COULD THEY REPORT ON A HUMAN SCANDAL? WE'RE OP-PRESSED!
I don't think you know what you're saying...
SOMEONE OBSESSED WITH HIS SURFACE APPEARANCE! FOR THE VULGAR CROWD IS ALWAYS TAKEN IN BY APPEARANCES!
...BUT SOMEONE WILLING TO COMPROMISE THEIR PRINCIPLES TO WIN THEIR UNDYING LOVE!
NAME RECOGNI-TION ISN'T ENOUGH!! THE HUMAN STUDENTS WILL WANT SOMEONE WHO DOESN'T JUST HATE THE TITANS...
!
...FINE.
I'LL DO IT.
I'M NOT SURE I COULD EVER BE THAT MAN...
HE REALLY READ THOSE BOOKS I GAVE HIM?
SIGH
SORRY

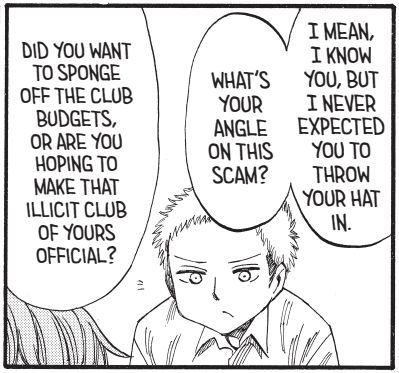
I'LL DO ANYTHING IT TAKES TO WIN PEOPLE'S LOVE. AND I'VE ALREADY GOT THE APPEARANCE PART DOWN!
YOU WERE LOOKING THE OTHER WAY, BUT I KNOW YOU WERE TALKING TO ME!
THANK YOU, EREN, FOR MAKING ME REALIZE IT.
COME ALONG, NUMBNUT AND MISS PIGGY.
GRAB
FIRST I NEED TWO PEOPLE TO NOMINATE ME, RIGHT ?
SO...
...
MAYBE HE CAN GET A DANDRUFF SHAMPOO TO SPONSOR HIS CAMPAIGN.
JEAN'S LOST IT AGAIN.
A GUY WITH SO MANY FRIENDS MIGHT JUST BECOME STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT !!
MY MOM SAID I WAS THE MOST LIKABLE BOY AT BADMINTON CAMP!! PEOPLE WILL BE DYING TO VOTE FOR ME!!
AHAHAHA

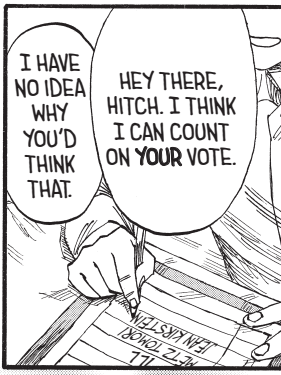

I'M STILL IN SHOCK. THAT WAS BABY SPINACH! BABY SPINACH, FOR GOD'S SAKE!
AT LEAST THEY FINALLY FIRED THE PRESIDENT.
I HATE THE DAMN NEWS CLUB!!
Student Council
Now accepting nominations for student body president
THOSE JERKS HAD BEEN SNIFFING AROUND HERE FOR A SCANDAL FOREVER!
OF COURSE, WE ALL WONDERED. WHO NEEDS TO BE SUBSCRIBED TO SEVEN CSAS?
BUT THEY DIDN'T HAVE TO SPELL IT OUT IN GRAPHIC DETAIL!
AND NOW WE'VE GOT TO SET UP THIS PAIN OF AN ELECTION!
PLUS...
...THE STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT DOESN'T JUST GET UNLIMITED ACCESS TO INNOCENT VEGETABLES.
THAT RANK HATH MANY, MANY PRIVILEGES.
IF SOMEONE WANTED TO, AS PRESIDENT, THAT PERSON COULD CHANGE A LOT OF THE SCHOOL RULES.
POSTING THAT SIGN IS LIKE PUTTING UP A NARCISSISTIC JERK MAGNET...
DON'T WORRY! I'M HERE!!


HIM. AGAIN?
UM...


I'M READY FOR YOU...
...TO HELP MAKE ME STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT !!
Nomination Form
Sasha Blouse @
Connie Springer@
Jean's okay, I guess.

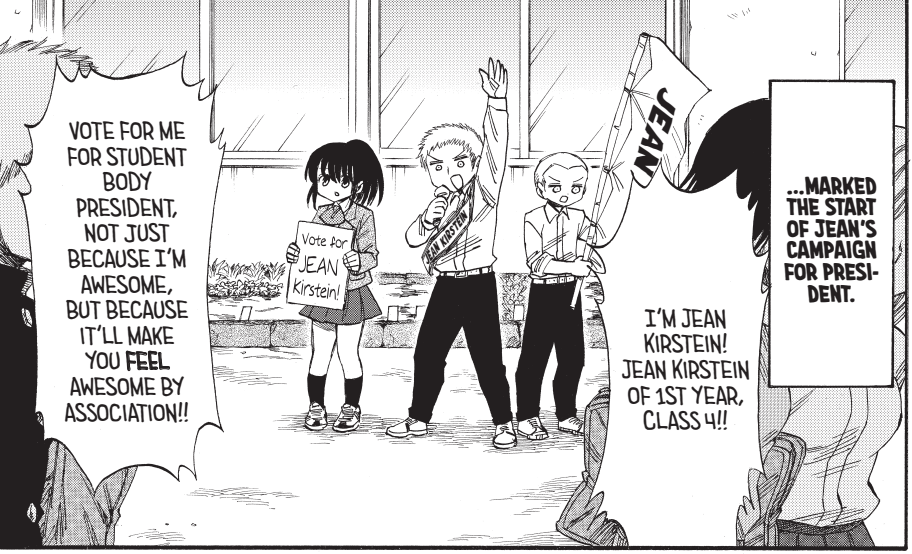
I WANT...
AW, NEVER MIND. KNOWING YOU, YOU'RE JUST IN IT FOR YOURSELF.


DID YOU WANT TO SPONGE OFF THE CLUB BUDGETS, OR ARE YOU HOPING TO MAKE THAT ILLICIT CLUB OF YOURS OFFICIAL?
WHAT'S YOUR ANGLE ON THIS SCAM?
I MEAN, I KNOW YOU, BUT I NEVER EXPECTED YOU TO THROW YOUR HAT IN.

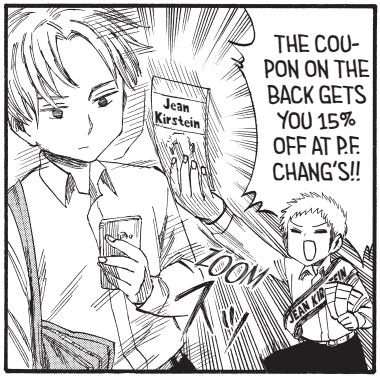

I HAVE NO IDEA WHY YOU'D THINK THAT.
HEY THERE, HITCH. I THINK I CAN COUNT ON YOUR VOTE.

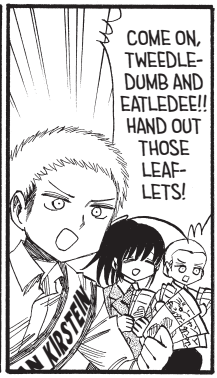
AND THAT ...
SHIKK
Like I said...

THAT'S WHAT I WANT.
SNAP
I WANT TO BE PRESIDENT SO I CAN FINALLY SHARE HOW COOL I AM WITH THE REST OF THE SCHOOL.

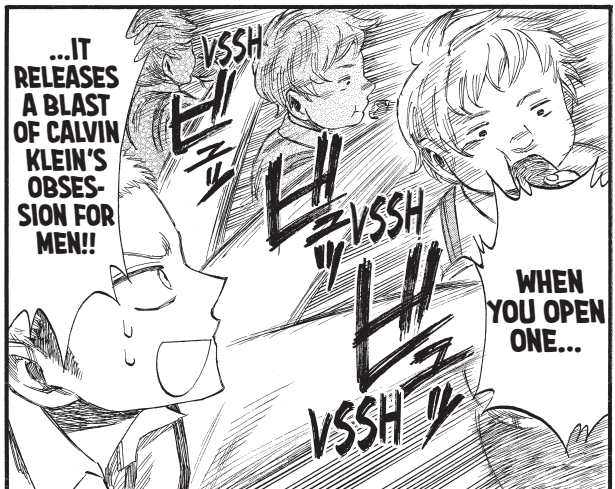

...MARKED THE START OF JEAN'S CAMPAIGN FOR PRESIDENT.
I'M JEAN KIRSTEIN! JEAN KIRSTEIN OF 1ST YEAR, CLASS 4!!
JEAN
Vote for JEAN Kirstein!
VOTE FOR ME FOR STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT, NOT JUST BECAUSE I'M AWESOME, BUT BECAUSE IT'LL MAKE YOU FEEL AWESOME BY ASSOCIATION!!

THEY'RE EMBOSSED IN 0.5-KARAT GOLD LEAF!!
SLAP

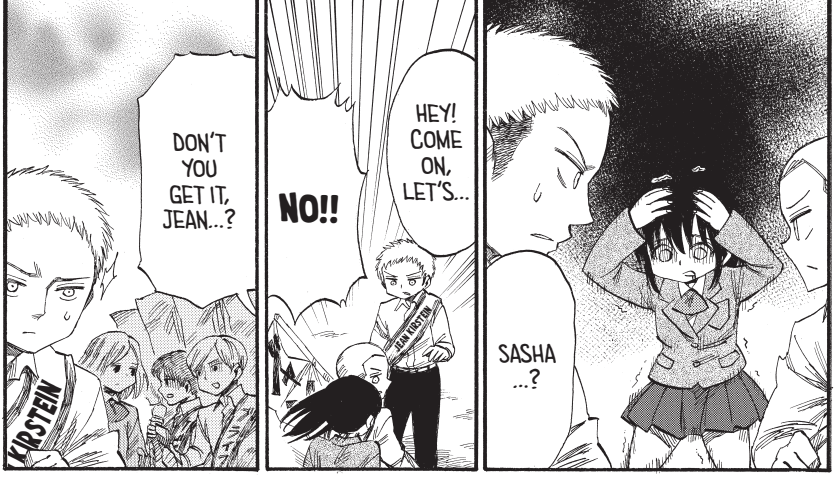

THE COUPON ON THE BACK GETS YOU 15% OFF AT P.F. CHANG'S!!
Jean Kirstein
ZOOM

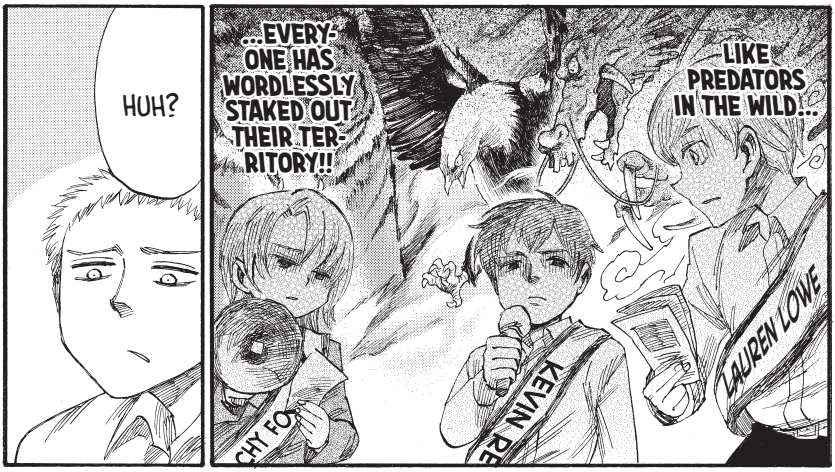

COME ON, TWEEDLEDUMB AND EATLEDEE!! HAND OUT THOSE LEAFLETS!

WHEEZE
HAHH
PANT


...IT RELEASES A BLAST OF CALVIN KLEIN'S OBSESSION FOR MEN!!
VSSH
WHEN YOU OPEN ONE...

WHERE DID ALL OF YOU LEARN KUNG FU?! AND JUST TO AVOID A PIECE OF PAPER?!
SST
SMAAASH
YAAAAH!!
BUT THAT JUST MEANS WE HAVE TO CHANGE OUR SPOT!
I SEE HOW IT IS...!
THAT'S WHY NO ONE'S TAKING YOUR SMELLY PAM-PHLETS!
JEAN... THERE ARE MORE CANDIDATES OUT HERE THAN CREEPY UNCLES AT A GIRL SCOUT BARBECUE. THE STUDENTS ARE ALREADY SICK OF IT.
WAIT A SECOND, JEAN!!
WE'RE ALMOST TO THE FRONT...
ANYBODY WOULD GET SICK OF THAT!
I CAN'T BELIEVE THERE ARE SO MANY CANDI-DATES!
JEAN KIRSTEIN


SASHA ...?
HEY! COME ON, LET'S...
NO!!
DON'T YOU GET IT, JEAN...?
KIRSTEIN


HUH?
...EVERY-ONE HAS WORDLESSLY STAKED OUT THEIR TER-RITORY!!
LIKE PREDATORS IN THE WILD...
LAUREN LOVE

ANY INTRUDERS WILL BE ATTACKED AND DRIVEN OFF!!
...OR AT THE VERY LEAST SNORTED AT AND PEED ON!!
SO... YOU'RE USING YOUR ANIMAL INTU-ITION?
AH, YOU SEE THE TRUTH?!
UNLIKE YOU, I'M NOT FERAL, SO IT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH ME.
JEAN, NOOOOO !!
TUMP

THE TOP CANDIDATES ARE LINED UP LIKE ESTRANGED NEPHEWS AT A WILL READING!!
DAMN IT! SHE'S RIGHT! THIS IS A BATTLE FIELD!
WHY...? WAS IT AS SASHA SAID?
UNG! I CAN'T MOVE...
SLUMP
JEAN KIRSTEIN
クッ
OUTTA THE WAY, CHUMP.
THEIR MURDEROUS STARES ARE PARALYZING ME!!
OKAY, TEAM!! LET'S PUT UP POSTERS!
HAND-ING OUT LEAFLETS IS SO OUT OF DATE!!
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HYAAAAHHH

WHAT?! I THOUGHT YOU ALREADY PUT THEM UP!
THEY'RE LATE BECAUSE THE SCREEN PRINTER HAD TO ORDER MORE VELLUM.
WHAT DO YOU THINK? DON'T THEY LOOK GREAT?
HE'S HELLA COOL!
SO THAT'S WHY THEY WERE SO LATE!
OKAY, LET'S PUT THEM UP!
JEAN KIRST
THAT'S A GENUINE SHEPARD FAIREY ORIGINAL! THE METALLIC INKS REALLY SET OFF MY EYES.
HUH?!
WHAT?!
OH, COME ON!
YOU'RE THINKING OF PUTTING UP POSTERS NOW?!
MR. OLUO!!
THAT'S WHY I HATE 1ST YEAR ROOKIES!
THAT ISN'T YOUR POSTER, IS IT?!
YEAH... THAT'S ME!
WHAT?! YOU CREEP!!
YOU LOOK LIKE THE SNUBBED LOVE INTEREST IN A GIRLS' COMIC!!
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OLUO BOZADO
GRRR

THE ONLY SPACE LEFT IS AT THE BACK OF THE SCHOOL WHERE NOBODY GOES...
...JEAN!
AS YOU SEE, THE POSTER BOARD IS ENTIRELY COVERED WITH POSTERS!
I BRING CHANGE!
OLUO BOZADO
CAN YOU REALLY AFFORD TO LAUGH AT MY BOYISH GOOD LOOKS?
OH, I KNOW!!
FOR I AM DESTINED TO BE STUDENT BODY PRESI—
BETTER YOU REALIZE IT'S HOPELESS NOW.
IT'S FOR YOUR OWN GOOD, JEAN.
HEY...! PLENTY OF PEOPLE HAVE SEEN MY—
YOUR POSTERS ARE LIKE YOUR UNDERPANTS... NO ONE WILL EVER SEE THEM BUT YOUR MOM.
STOP THAT!!
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SLAP
HE'S HELLA COOL!
WE'LL JUST PASTE OURS OVER THESE POSTERS!
OLUO
BOZADO
OKAY, THIS IS WHAT WE'LL DO...
WHAT...?! I THOUGHT HE'D STILL BE REELING FROM MY KILLER UNDERPANTS BURN!

AWW, DAMMIT...!
THIS IS WAY HARDER THAN REESE WITHERSPOON MADE IT LOOK!
AND OLUO'S SET MY BEAUTIFUL POSTERS ON FIRE!
ELECTIONS ARE DOG-EAT-DOG...
WE'LL JUST HAVE TO GIVE IT OUR BEST...
HUH?
YOU DON'T WANT TO DO THAT, DO YOU?
C-CONNIE...
YOU'RE USED TO GETTING JUST WHAT YOU WANT RIGHT AWAY, LIKE AT TACO BELL, BUT THIS TIME YOU HAVE TO WORK HARD FOR A GOAL YOU'RE PROBABLY NEVER GONNA ACCOMPLISH, LIKE AN EMPLOYEE AT TACO BELL.
...
I JUST DON'T SEE YOU MAKING TACOS FOR VERY LONG. ...HUH, I'M REALLY, REALLY HUNGRY ALL OF A SUDDEN.
HE'S RIGHT...
TODAY, I TRIED BUT WAS DENIED...
...MY FIGURATIVE QUESARITO OF POWER.
SO WHAT AM I SUPPOSED TO DO NOW?
WHAT I'M SAYING IS, LET'S JUST QUIT AND GET TACOS.
YES!! TACOS!! YOU'RE AN INSPIRATION, CONNIE!!

...LEAVE ME ALONE TO THINK FOR A WHILE.
NO...
HE'S TRYING TO DECIDE WHETHER TO STAY IN OR QUIT.
...
HE SAID HE WANTED TO THINK, BUT WHAT'S THERE TO THINK ABOUT?
I GUESS... JEAN WON'T DO ANYMORE CAMPAIGN-ING TODAY, HUH?
WOBBLE ふらっ
PLUS WAFFLE TACO TIME IS ALMOST OVER...
UFFA!
WHILE HE'S OFF THINKING, THE OTHER CANDIDATES ARE BUILDING THEIR BASES.
SAKA
MARIE
LTA WIN
AY AILE
HERMAN
BUT I WISH HE'D MAKE UP HIS MIND FASTER.

WAIT! JEAN?!
WHEN DID HE...
NOT ONLY THAT...
LOOK AT ALL THOSE PEOPLE RUSHING TOWARD HIM!
I GUESS... OUR JEAN IS FINALLY GROWING UP.
HE FINALLY CAME TO REALIZE HARD WORK AND GUMPTION ARE WHAT'S IMPORTANT.
HE'S FINALLY DECIDED TO MAKE THE TACOS...
SQUEE! THIS GUY! THIS GUY!

THIS GUY IS THE ONE NO NAME BACKED IN THE RACE!!
No Name RECOMMENDS
Jean
THE MAN NO NAME RECOMMENDS
WELL, I GUESS HE WORKED HARD...
WOW, JEAN'S DOING GREAT!
GIVE ME ONE TOO!
TAKE A PAM-PHLET!
SURE IS!
IS IT TRUE THAT NO NAME ONCE TOUCHED YOUR HAND?!
LET ME LICK YOU!!
GOTTA RUN, HIPPIES!!
AREN'T YOU THE GUY WHO STUCK A "GET A JOB" BUMPER STICKER ON THE DOWNTOWN SCHOOL BUS?!
EHHHH?!
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HEEEY!!
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...AT THINKING OF A WAY TO GET OUT OF WORKING HARD
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CANDIDATES FOR STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT
PUBLIC SPEECH FORUM
WHEN I BECOME STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT, I WILL IMPLEMENT OVERNIGHT TRIPS AND OTHER TYPES OF STUDENT RECREATION...
...WHICH WILL IMPROVE SCHOOL LIFE AND STRENGTHEN THE BONDS BETWEEN STUDENTS!! FOR ALL SEX!! I MEAN BOTH SEXY!! I MEAN, BOTH SEXES!!
OVER-NIGHT TRIPS?
WHAT'S THAT ABOUT?
EVERYONE, JUST IMAGINE WITH ME.
SOUNDS A LITTLE FUN...
PEEP
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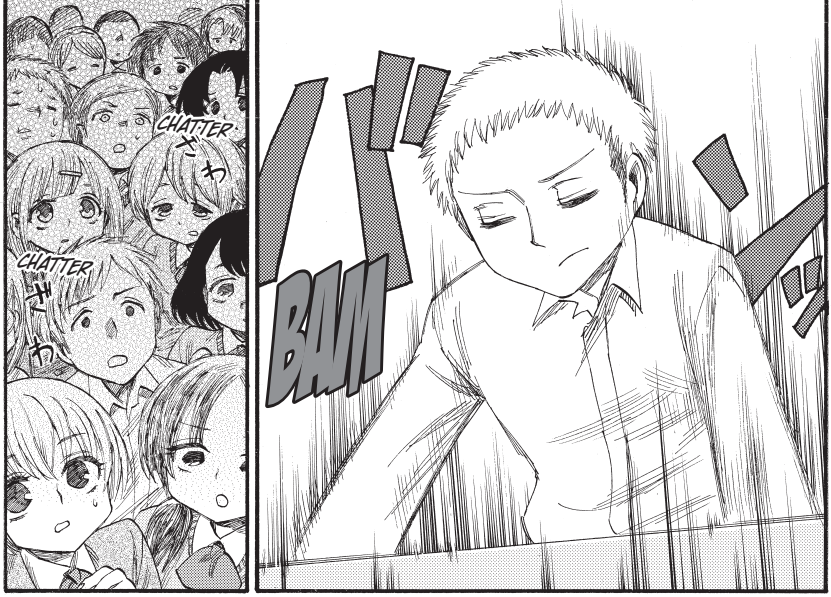
PERT FLESH, BARELY COVERED BY TIGHT SWIM-SUITS. AND WHEN NIGHT FALLS...
SQUEEEEEE
WHOOOAAA

THIRTY-NINTH PERIOD: ILSE'S RAGE


CHATTER
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BAM
I HAVE TO PROJECT DECISIVE-NESS!
THE FLOOR IS MINE...!
I'VE GOT TO SHOW I'M STRONG.
BUT ALSO, I HAVE TO SEEM EMPATHETIC.
BA-BUMP
BA-BUMP
BA-BUMP
BA-BUMP
BA-
AND, OF COURSE, THERE'S MY SECRET WEAPON.
BUT I'VE ALSO GOT TO ACT LIKE ONE OF THEM.
KLENCH
I GATHERED ALL THE DATA I COULD ON WHAT PEOPLE WANT FROM THEIR STUDENT COUNCIL PRESIDENT...
...AND FOUND A STARTLING OVERLAP!! THE SECRET TO MAK-ING EVERYONE HAPPY IS KNOWN ONLY TO ME!
NOW TO BEGIN THE ULTIMATE CAMPAIGN SPEECH...
HEH

...WHAT THEY'LL CALL THE FLAKY CRUST SPEECH!!
I AM HERE TO ASK FOR YOUR VOTE FOR STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT!!
YOU SEE... OUR SCHOOL'S IN TROUBLE!
YES, I SAID TROUBLE, MY FRIENDS! WITH A CAPITAL T, AND THAT STANDS FOR... WELL, TROUBLE, BUT ALSO FOR TITANS!
HUMAN STUDENTS HAVE THEIR LUNCHES STOLEN ON A DAILY BASIS BY TITANS!
I'VE SEEN THE BEST PEANUT BUTTER AND BANANA SANDWICHES OF MY GENERATION DESTROYED BY TITANS, LEAVING THEIR OWNERS STARVING, HYSTERICAL!
AND NOW, A SCANDAL IN THE STUDENT COUNCIL ITSELF...
THIS SCHOOL IS ROTTING FROM THE INSIDE OUT!
BUT I KNOW WHAT YOU ALL REALLY WANT FROM YOUR PRESIDENT!

YOU WANT SOMEONE WHO CAN BRING YOU HOPE! YOU WANT SOMEONE WHO CAN BRING YOU...
...FREE TOASTER STRUDEL!!
KLAP
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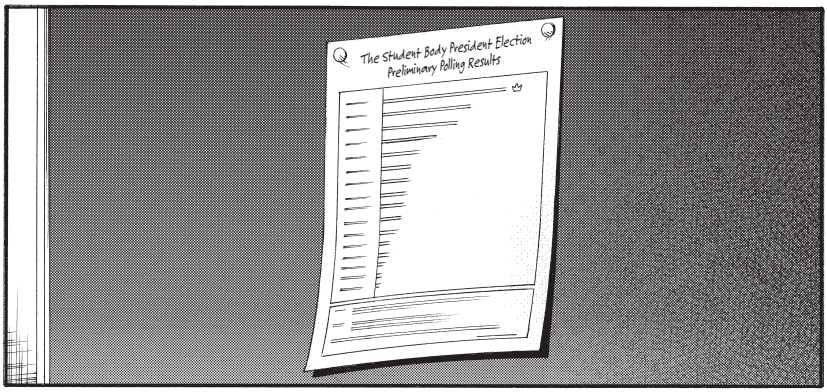
SO VOTE FOR ME... TO MAKE THAT A REALITY...
THEY'RE ALL MINE NOW...!!!



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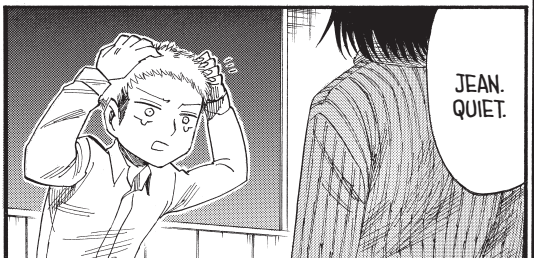
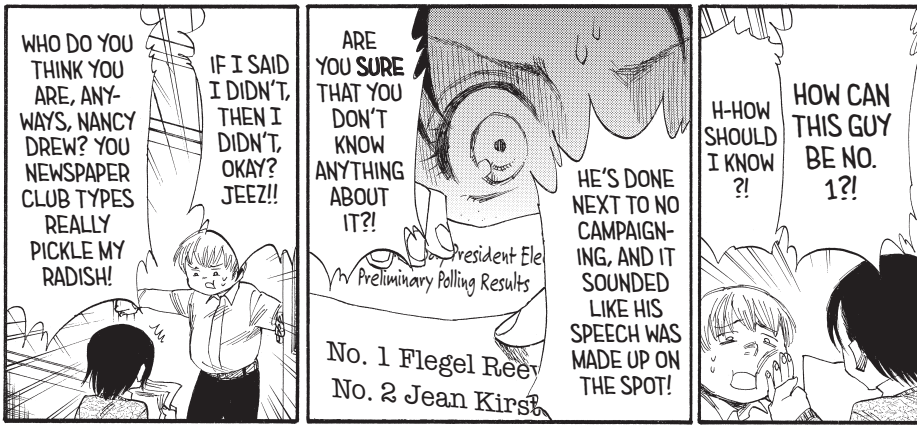
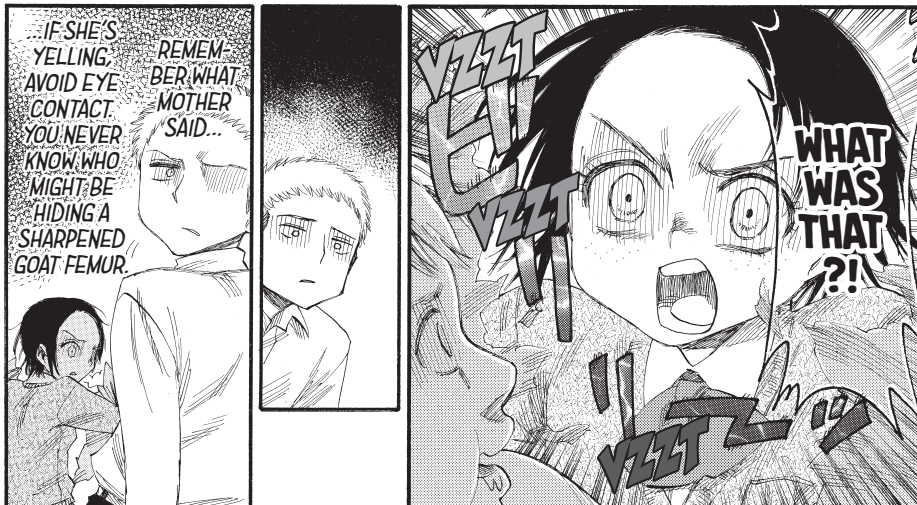
No. 2 Jean Kirstein



...
YOU'RE GIVING ME A HEAD-ACHE.
WHENEVER I DON'T GET MY WAY IMMEDI-ATELY, IT MEANS THERE'S A BIG CONSPIRACY OUT THERE TRYING TO STOP ME!
I learned that from Sean Hannity.
WELL I...
HUH?!
IT'S GOT TO BE RIGGED ...
I WAS DEEPLY MOVED... LIKE THAT KING ON ST. CRISPY DAY AT THE BATTLE OF APPLE CORE.
BUT YOUR SPEECH WAS REALLY AMAZING...
I DEMAND TO KNOW HOW THESE POLLING RESULTS WERE TALLIED!!
ELECT
COMMIT
JEAN?!
...WILL NOT BOW TO THEIR AUTHOR-ITY!!

Student Body President Election
Preliminary Polling Results
SHOOOOOOVE
THIS CANNOT BE RIGHT !!


WHO DO YOU THINK YOU ARE, ANYWAYS, NANCY DREW? YOU NEWSPAPER CLUB TYPES REALLY PICKLE MY RADISH!
IF I SAID I DIDN'T, THEN I DIDN'T, OKAY? JEEZ!!
ARE YOU SURE THAT YOU DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT IT?!
President Ele
Preliminary Polling Results
No. 1 Flegel Reev
No. 2 Jean Kirst
HE'S DONE NEXT TO NO CAMPAIGNING, AND IT SOUNDED LIKE HIS SPEECH WAS MADE UP ON THE SPOT!
H-HOW SHOULD I KNOW ?!
HOW CAN THIS GUY BE NO. 1?!


...IF SHE'S YELLING, AVOID EYE CONTACT. YOU NEVER KNOW WHO MIGHT BE HIDING A SHARPENED GOAT FEMUR.
REMEMBER WHAT MOTHER SAID...
VZZT
VZZT
VZZT
WHAT WAS THAT ?!

HEY, YOU!! HOLD IT RIGHT THERE!!
GRAB
PANT
PANT
YOU'RE ONE OF THE CANDIDATES FOR STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT, AREN'T YOU?!
PLEASE DON'T SHANK ME!
WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THESE RESULTS?!
SPLATT
YOU THINK THEY'RE FAKED, RIGHT? CAN I QUOTE YOU ON THAT?!
...
NO, NOT REALLY...
WHY DOESN'T ANYBODY CARE BUT MEEEE?!
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WHA ?!
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UH...
UM... NO, I...
WHISPER
WHISPER
I'M SO GLAD SOME-BODY'S WILLING TO HELP!
I'M ILSE LAGNAR, A 2ND YEAR IN THE NEWSPAPER CLUB.
SORRY IF I STARTLED YOU BACK THERE...
BUT I WANT... NO...
HUH?!
...I NEED YOU TO HELP ME INVESTI-GATE!!
I MEAN, YOU WANT TO BE STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT, RIGHT?!
IF YOU DON'T HELP, THIS FLEGEL GUY IS GOING TO RUN AWAY WITH THE ELECTION!
"FLEGEL"...? YOU MEAN THE GUY WHO CAME IN FIRST IN THE POLL?
RIGHT!
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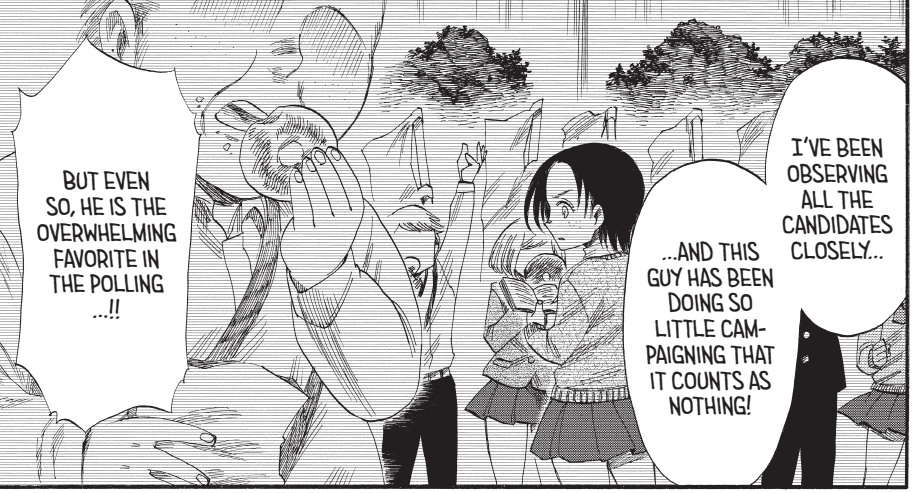
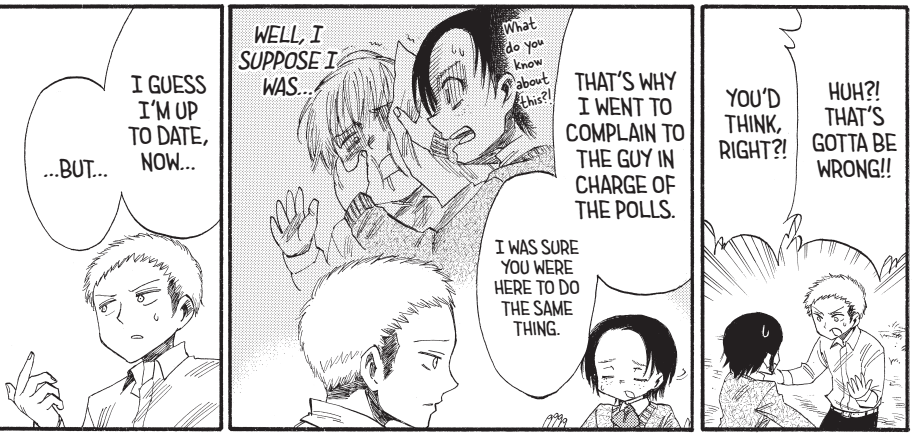
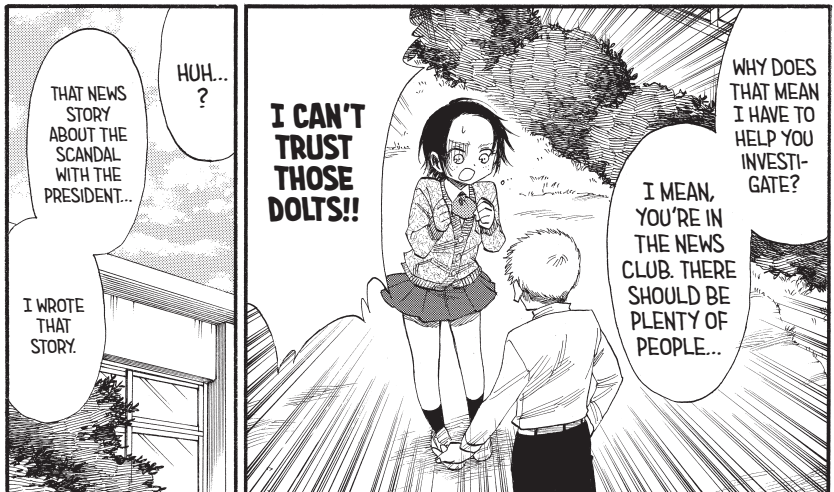
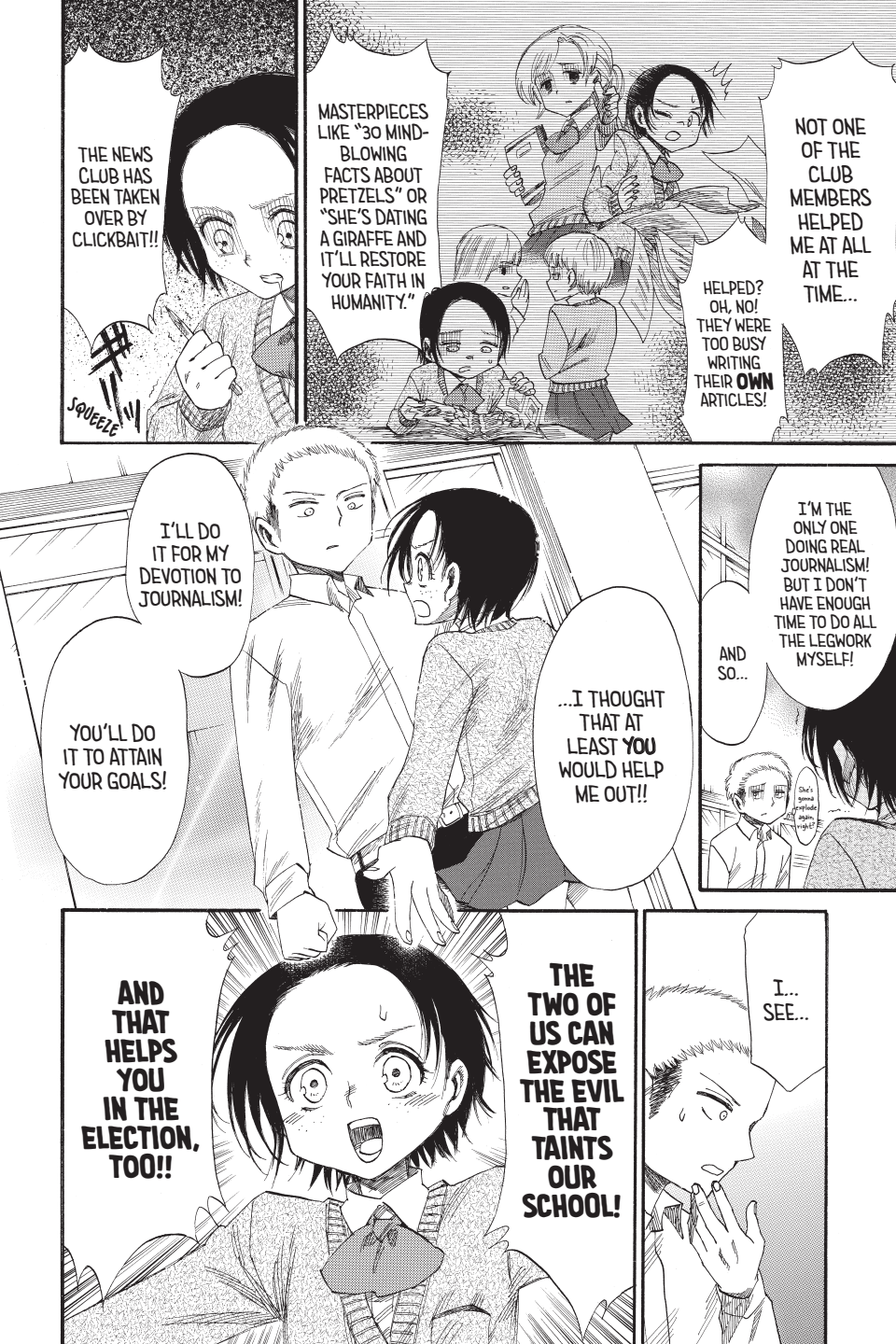
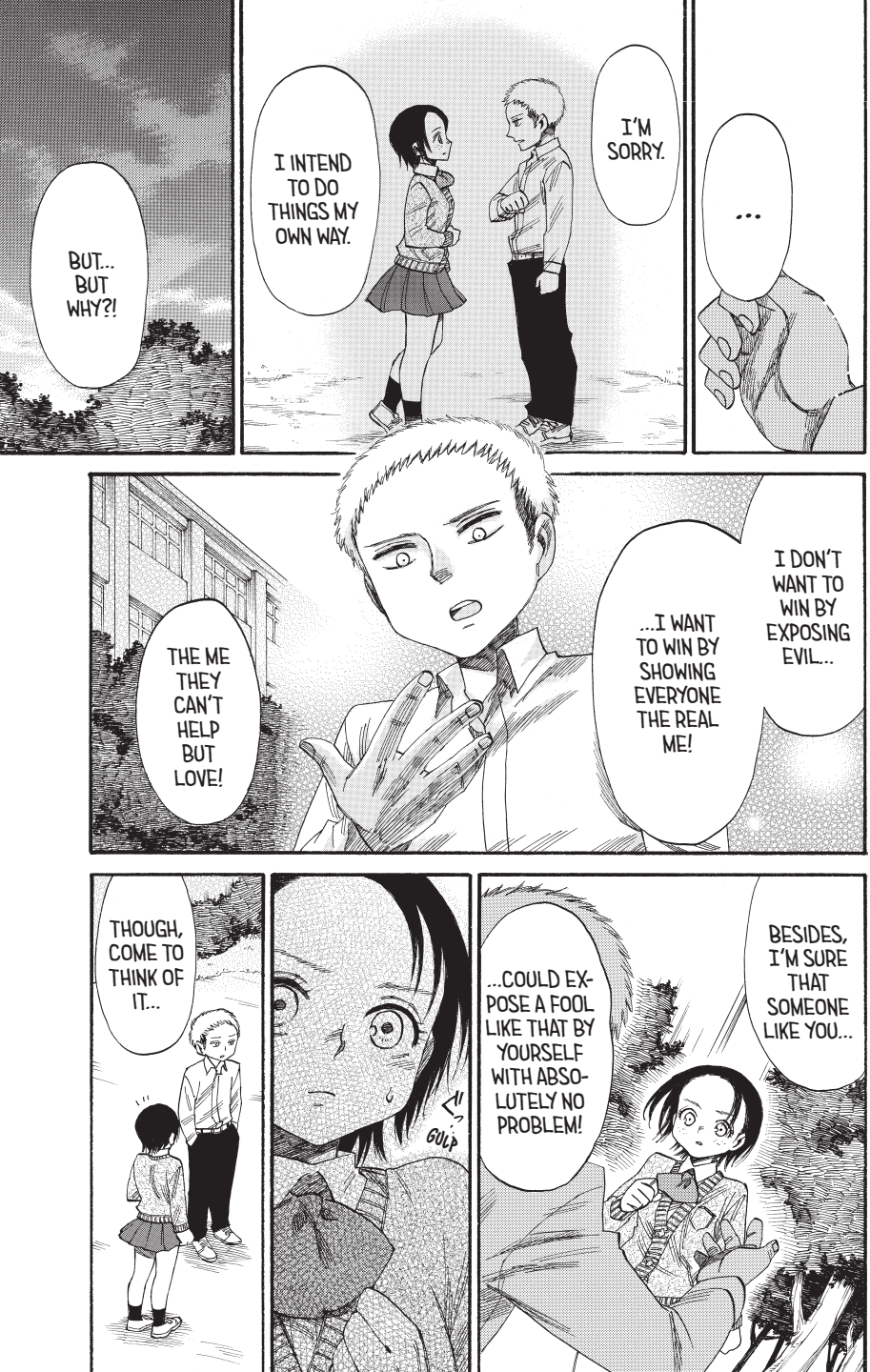
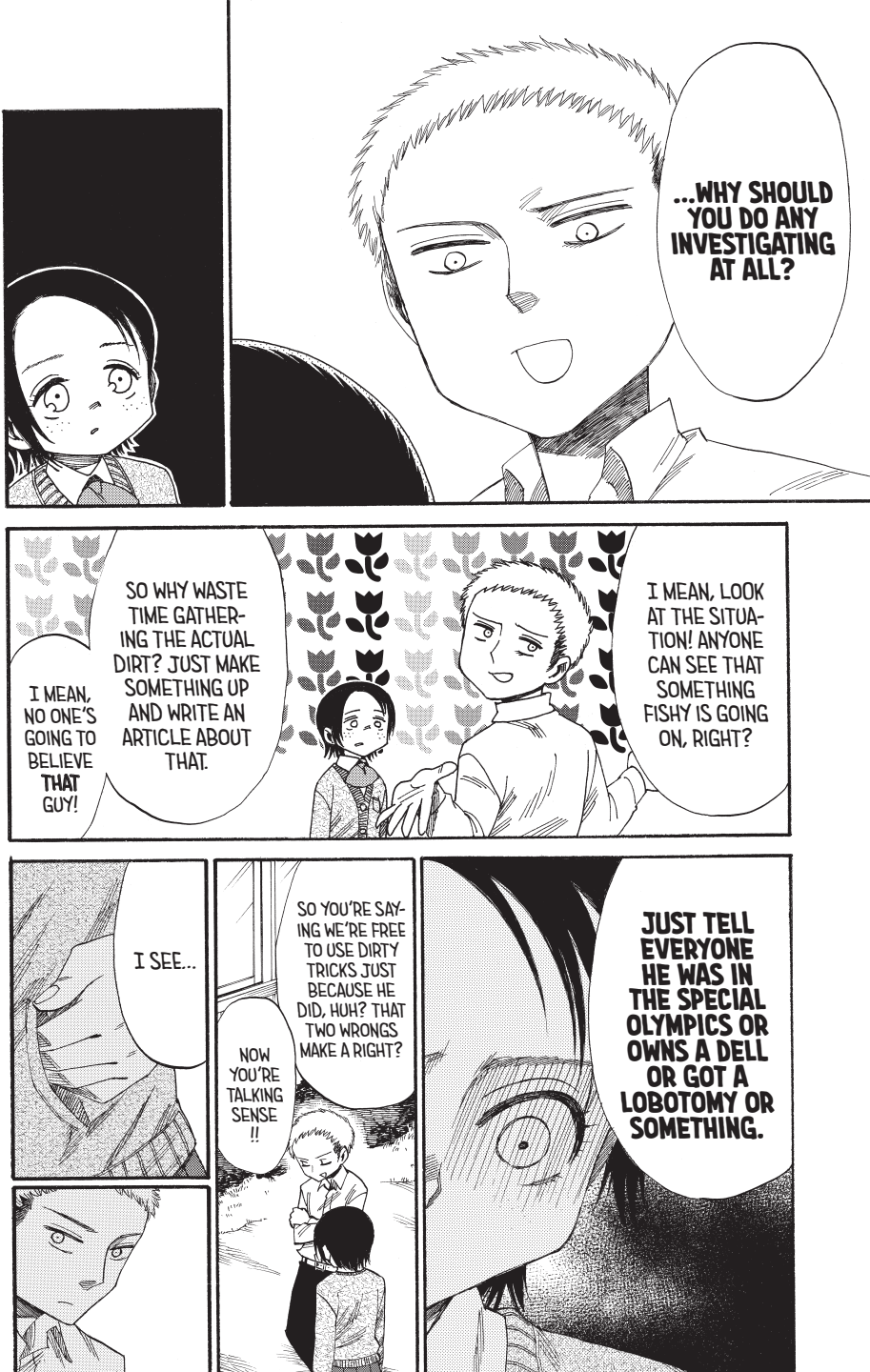

I'VE BEEN OBSERVING ALL THE CANDIDATES CLOSELY...
...AND THIS GUY HAS BEEN DOING SO LITTLE CAMPAIGNING THAT IT COUNTS AS NOTHING!
BUT EVEN SO, HE IS THE OVERWHELMING FAVORITE IN THE POLLING ...!!


HUH?! THAT'S GOTTA BE WRONG!!
YOU'D THINK, RIGHT?!
THAT'S WHY I WENT TO COMPLAIN TO THE GUY IN CHARGE OF THE POLLS.
What do you know about this?!
WELL, I SUPPOSE I WAS...
I WAS SURE YOU WERE HERE TO DO THE SAME THING.
I GUESS I'M UP TO DATE, NOW...
...BUT...


WHY DOES THAT MEAN I HAVE TO HELP YOU INVESTIGATE?
I MEAN, YOU'RE IN THE NEWS CLUB. THERE SHOULD BE PLENTY OF PEOPLE...
I CAN'T TRUST THOSE DOLTS!!
HUH...?
THAT NEWS STORY ABOUT THE SCANDAL WITH THE PRESIDENT...
I WROTE THAT STORY.


NOT ONE OF THE CLUB MEMBERS HELPED ME AT ALL AT THE TIME...
HELPED? OH, NO! THEY WERE TOO BUSY WRITING THEIR OWN ARTICLES!
MASTERPIECES LIKE "30 MIND-BLOWING FACTS ABOUT PRETZELS" OR "SHE'S DATING A GIRAFFE AND IT'LL RESTORE YOUR FAITH IN HUMANITY."
THE NEWS CLUB HAS BEEN TAKEN OVER BY CLICKBAIT!!
SQUEEZE
I'M THE ONLY ONE DOING REAL JOURNALISM! BUT I DON'T HAVE ENOUGH TIME TO DO ALL THE LEGWORK MYSELF!
AND SO...
She's gonna graduate again, right?
...I THOUGHT THAT AT LEAST YOU WOULD HELP ME OUT!!
I'LL DO IT FOR MY DEVOTION TO JOURNALISM!
YOU'LL DO IT TO ATTAIN YOUR GOALS!
I... SEE...
THE TWO OF US CAN EXPOSE THE EVIL THAT TAINTS OUR SCHOOL!
AND THAT HELPS YOU IN THE ELECTION, TOO!!


...
I'M SORRY.
I INTEND TO DO THINGS MY OWN WAY.
BUT... BUT WHY?!
I DON'T WANT TO WIN BY EXPOSING EVIL...
...I WANT TO WIN BY SHOWING EVERYONE THE REAL ME!
THE ME THEY CAN'T HELP BUT LOVE!
BESIDES, I'M SURE THAT SOMEONE LIKE YOU...
...COULD EXPOSE A FOOL LIKE THAT BY YOURSELF WITH ABSOLUTELY NO PROBLEM!
GULP
THOUGH, COME TO THINK OF IT...


...WHY SHOULD YOU DO ANY INVESTIGATING AT ALL?
I MEAN, LOOK AT THE SITUATION! ANYONE CAN SEE THAT SOMETHING FISHY IS GOING ON, RIGHT?
SO WHY WASTE TIME GATHERING THE ACTUAL DIRT? JUST MAKE SOMETHING UP AND WRITE AN ARTICLE ABOUT THAT.
I MEAN, NO ONE'S GOING TO BELIEVE THAT GUY!
JUST TELL EVERYONE HE WAS IN THE SPECIAL OLYMPICS OR OWNS A DELL OR GOT A LOBOTOMY OR SOMETHING.
SO YOU'RE SAYING WE'RE FREE TO USE DIRTY TRICKS JUST BECAUSE HE DID, HUH? THAT TWO WRONGS MAKE A RIGHT?
NOW YOU'RE TALKING SENSE !!
I SEE...

THIS IS AN OUTRAGE!! I'LL SUE YOU WITH LAWYERS!!
Why should you do any investigating at all?
PEEP
I GUESS IT'S TIME TO WRITE AN EXPOSÉ ON YOU.
PLEASE DON'T WRITE AN EXPOSÉ ON ME!!
WAIT! I WAS EGGING YOU ON! ACTUALLY, I'M VERY IMPRESSED WITH YOU!
DASH
UGH, YOU POLITICIANS ARE ALL THE SAME!! I RENOUNCE MY YOUTHFUL IDEALS!!
If you do, then I've got no reason to help!
NOT EVEN PRESIDENT YET AND A REPORTER'S ALREADY GOT JEAN BY THE SHORT HAIRS! WILL ILSE HAVE A "MEETING AT THE SUBWAY STATION"? FIND OUT IN THE NEXT HOUSE OF TITANS!
YOU WON'T WRITE IT AFTER, EITHER!!
VERY WELL. I WON'T WRITE AN EXPOSÉ ON YOU DURING OUR INVESTIGATION.
I'll just jot down a rough outline in case.
YES.
THEN YOU WILL HELP ME WITH MY INVESTIGATION?

SAKI NAKAGAWA

Based on "Attack on Titan" by
HAJIME ISAYAMA

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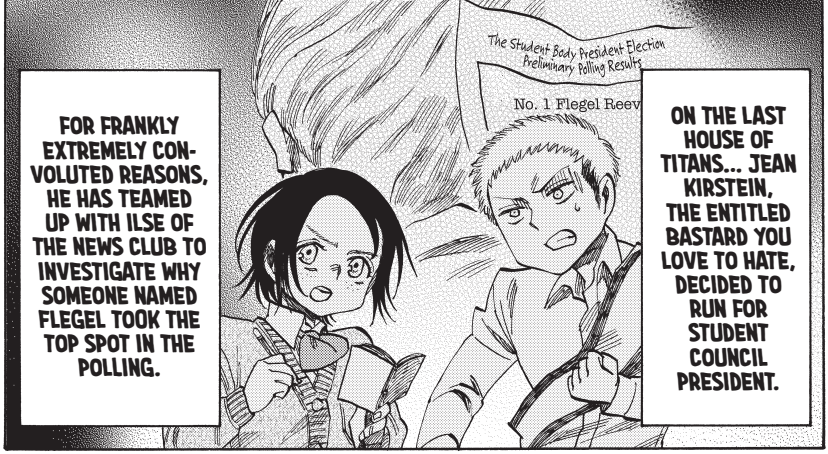
The Student Body President Election Preliminary Polling Results
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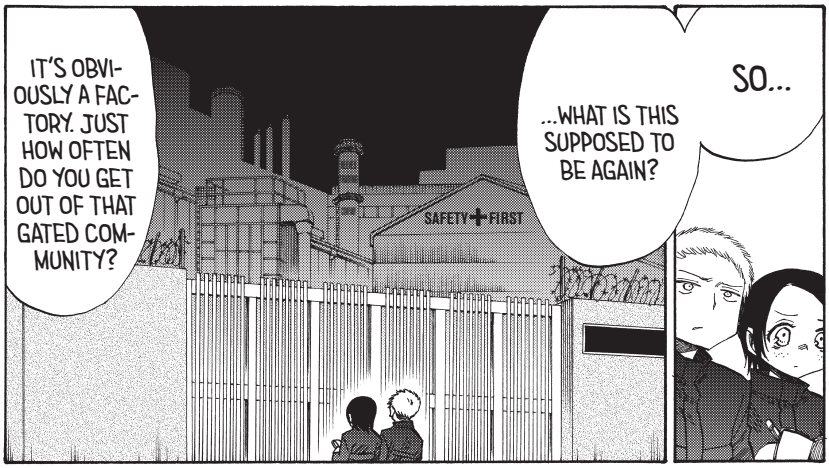
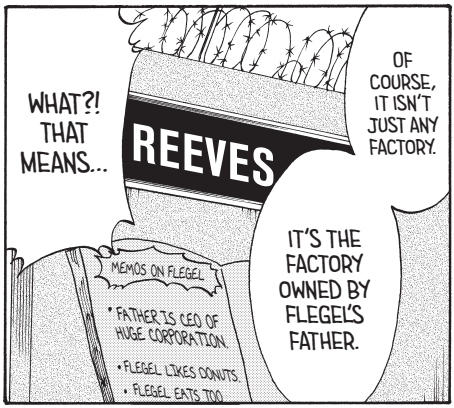
FOR FRANKLY EXTREMELY CONVOLUTED REASONS, HE HAS TEAMED UP WITH ILSE OF THE NEWS CLUB TO INVESTIGATE WHY SOMEONE NAMED FLEGEL TOOK THE TOP SPOT IN THE POLLING.
ON THE LAST HOUSE OF TITANS... JEAN KIRSTEIN, THE ENTITLED BASTARD YOU LOVE TO HATE, DECIDED TO RUN FOR STUDENT COUNCIL PRESIDENT.


IT'S OBVIOUSLY A FACTORY. JUST HOW OFTEN DO YOU GET OUT OF THAT GATED COMMUNITY?
SAFETY FIRST
...WHAT IS THIS SUPPOSED TO BE AGAIN?
SO...

NO, YOU IDIOT !!
WELL, SPLASH THE GAS AND CALL IT THE FOURTH OF JULY, BECAUSE IT'S ARSON TIME!
ALL WE HAVE TO DO IS BURN THIS PLACE TO THE GROUND AND THAT JERK'LL END UP A POOR ORPHAN WITH NO TIME FOR THE STUDENT COUNCIL, RIGHT?!


WHAT?! THAT MEANS...
REEVES
MEMOS ON FLEGEL
• FATHER IS CEO OF HUGE CORPORATION
• FLEGEL LIKES DONUTS
• FLEGEL EATS TOO
OF COURSE, IT ISN'T JUST ANY FACTORY.
IT'S THE FACTORY OWNED BY FLEGEL'S FATHER.

BECAUSE, WITH ACTUAL PHYSICAL PROOF...
WE'RE HERE TO FIND OUT HOW HE MANAGED TO GET SUCH LOPSIDED POLL RESULTS!
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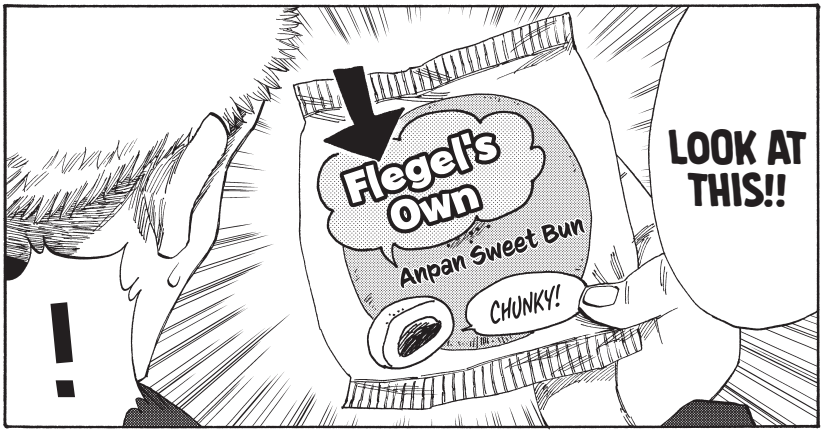
...WE CAN EXPOSE HIS CORRUPTION FOR ALL TO SEE!
WHAT'S THE FACTORY GOT TO DO WITH THE ELECTION...?
H-HEY!
AND IN THIS FACTORY, THEY MAKE...
THIS IS JUST ONE OF THEIR FACTORIES.
FLEGEL'S FATHER IS THE CEO OF A HUGE CORPORATION CALLED REEVES TRADING COMPANY.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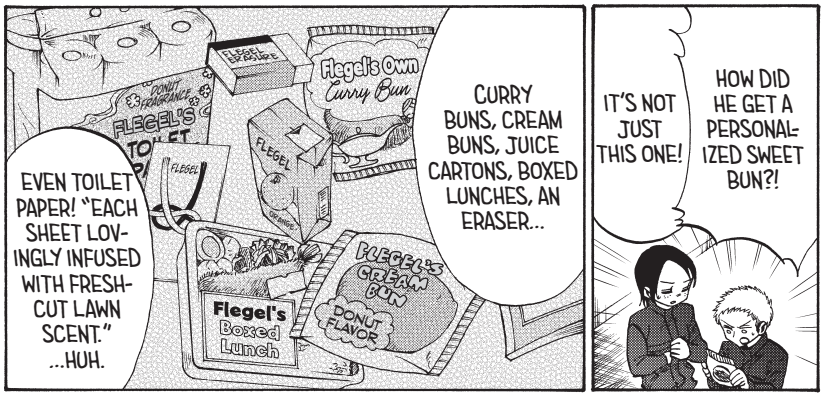
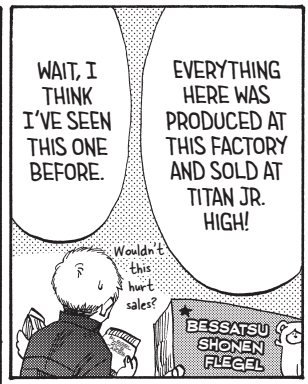
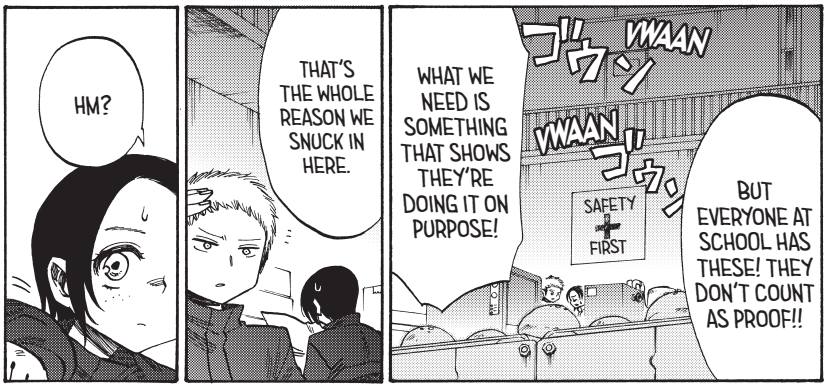
Flegel's Own
Anpan Sweet Bun
CHUNKY!
LOOK AT THIS!!

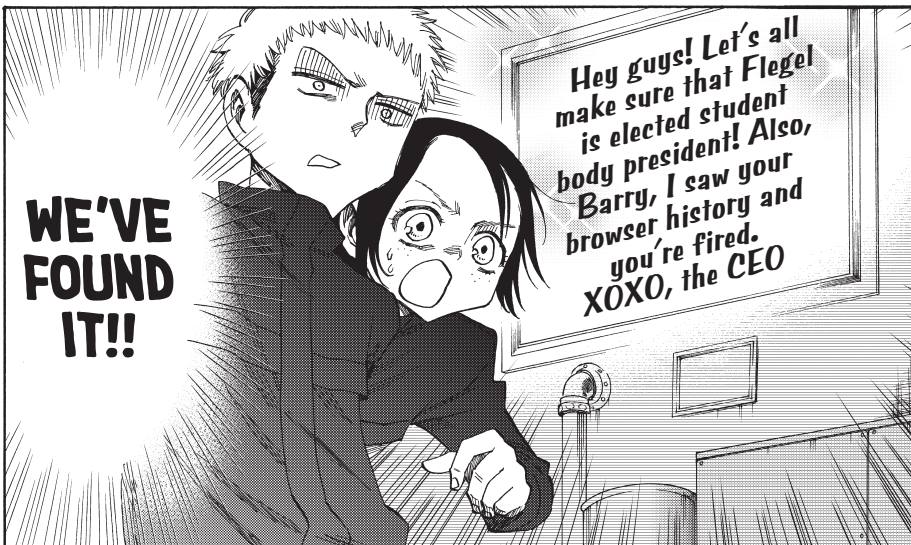

Flegel's Own Curry Bun
FLEGEL'S TOILET
DONUT FRAGRANCE
FLEGEL
Flegel's Boxed Lunch
FLEGEL'S CREAM BUN
DONUT FLAVOR
EVEN TOILET PAPER! "EACH SHEET LOVINGLY INFUSED WITH FRESH-CUT LAWN SCENT." ...HUH.
CURRY BUNS, CREAM BUNS, JUICE CARTONS, BOXED LUNCHES, AN ERASER...
IT'S NOT JUST THIS ONE!
HOW DID HE GET A PERSONALIZED SWEET BUN?!

STORE
Flegel Notes
THIS STUFF SUCKS
FLEGEL WATER
NUBBY NUBBY FLEGEL
NEW IMPROVED FLEGEL
FLEGEL CREAM BUN
BRAINWASHING PEOPLE INTO VOTING FOR YOU USING SUBLIMINAL MESSAGES!!
EXACTLY, JEAN!
"I THINK I'VE SEEN THIS BEFORE." THAT'S HOW HE DOES IT. WHAT'S SAFER THAN BUYING VOTES?


WAIT, I THINK I'VE SEEN THIS ONE BEFORE.
EVERYTHING HERE WAS PRODUCED AT THIS FACTORY AND SOLD AT TITAN JR. HIGH!
Wouldn't this hurt sales?
BESSATSU SHONEN FLEGEL

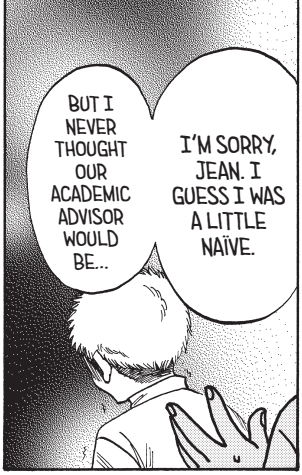
HE'S TRYING TO WIN THE ELECTION AT A SUBCONSCIOUS LEVEL...
...HOPING THAT PEOPLE WILL VOTE FOR HIM BECAUSE THEY KNOW THEY'VE SEEN HIS NAME SOMEWHERE.
AND THE REASON WHY THEY'VE "SEEN HIS NAME" IS BECAUSE OF THESE THINGS?
EXACTLY!
Flegel's Own
Anpan Sweet B...

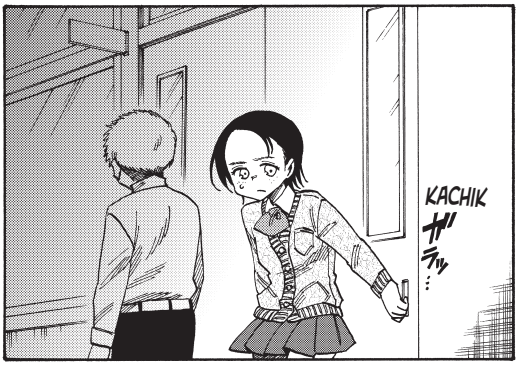

BUT EVERYONE AT SCHOOL HAS THESE! THEY DON'T COUNT AS PROOF!!
WHAT WE NEED IS SOMETHING THAT SHOWS THEY'RE DOING IT ON PURPOSE!
THAT'S THE WHOLE REASON WE SNUCK IN HERE.
HM?
SAFETY FIRST


WE'VE FOUND IT!!
Hey guys! Let's all make sure that Flegel is elected student body president! Also, Barry, I saw your browser history and you're fired. XOXO, the CEO

WOW... I REALLY DIDN'T THINK IT WOULD BE THAT EASY.
IT MUST BE BECAUSE YOU'RE HERE, JEAN.
NAW. I HARDLY DID ANYTHING.
YEAH, I KNOW, I JUST SAID THAT TO MAKE YOU FEEL RELEVANT.
AWW... I GUESS I DID HELP OUT, IN MY WAY...
Just a bit higher...
Aren't you there yet?!
EVEN BETTER, NOW I THINK YOU CAN START CALLING ME STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT!
NOPE!
NO WAY WE CAN RUN THAT STORY!

B-BUT WHY NOT?!
YOU TOOK THIS AFTER BREAKING INTO THAT FACTORY, RIGHT?
WELL, THE REAL WORLD IS NOT A MILDLY CLEVER BUT FAMILIAR BASIC CABLE PROCEDURAL THAT GETS TIRED AND STALE AFTER FIVE SEASONS.
IF WE USED THIS, THEY'D SUE THE HAIRS OFF MY MOTHER'S BACK!
THEN YOU'RE GOING TO LET HIM GET AWAY WITH THIS?!
DID YOU HEAR ME?
SNAP
AND ANYWAY, WHAT ABOUT THIS GUY?! WHAT'S HE DOING HERE?
HE'S A CANDIDATE TOO, BUT HERE YOU ARE, WORKING WITH HIM TO FIND DIRT ON A RIVAL! THAT'S WHAT WE CALL A CONFLICT OF INTEREST.
WE'D NEVER ALLOW SUCH UNETHICAL CHICANERY HERE AT THE DAILY FLEGEL!!
...!


I'M SORRY, JEAN. I GUESS I WAS A LITTLE NAÏVE.
BUT I NEVER THOUGHT OUR ACADEMIC ADVISOR WOULD BE...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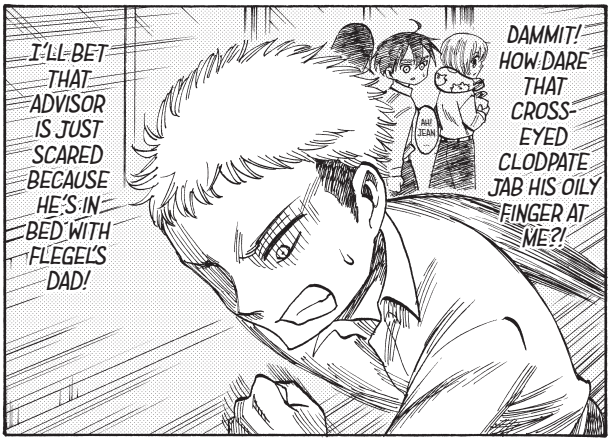
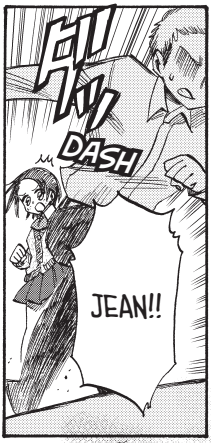

I'LL BET THAT ADVISOR IS JUST SCARED BECAUSE HE'S IN BED WITH FLEGEL'S DAD!
DAMMIT! HOW DARE THAT CROSS-EYED CLODPATE JAB HIS OILY FINGER AT ME?!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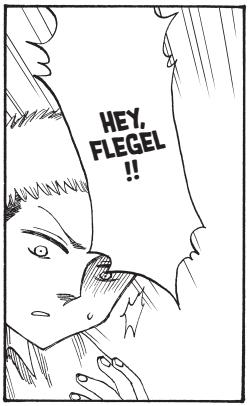
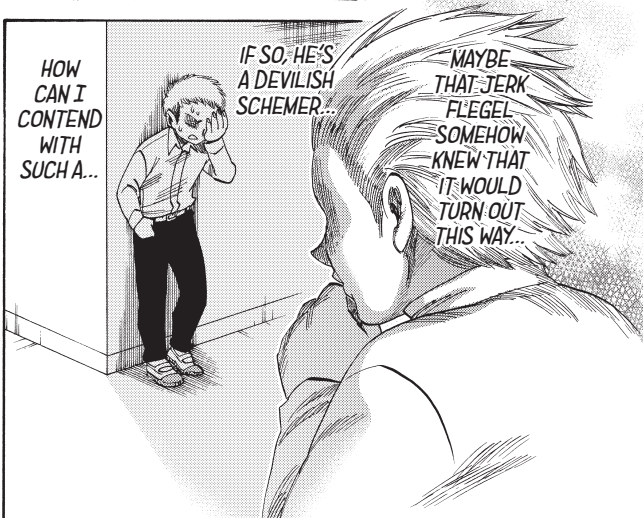
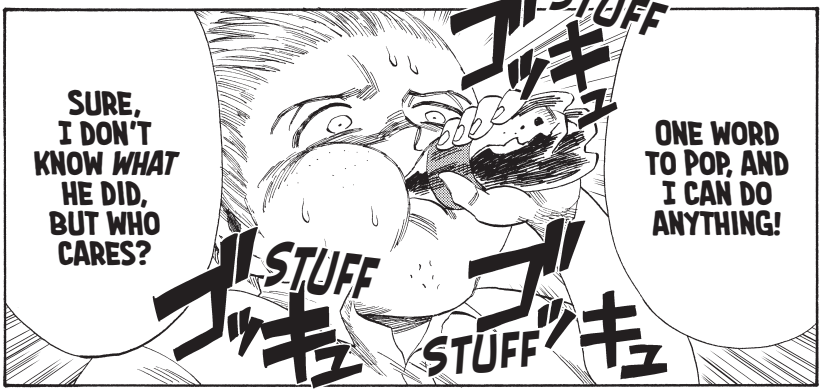
DASH
JEAN!!


HEY, FLEGEL !!


HOW CAN I CONTEND WITH SUCH A...
IF SO, HE'S A DEVILISH SCHEMER...
MAYBE THAT JERK FLEGEL SOMEHOW KNEW THAT IT WOULD TURN OUT THIS WAY...

BLOBBB
HEEERE!
RIPP
DRIPPA
SWICK
SWICK
HEEELP ME!!
BULLLLLGE
YO, NEXT PRESIDENT OF THE STUDENT BODY.
I FIGURED YOU'D BE ABLE TO PULL IT OFF.
HEH HEH HEH... BUT OF COURSE!


SURE, I DON'T KNOW *WHAT* HE DID, BUT WHO CARES?
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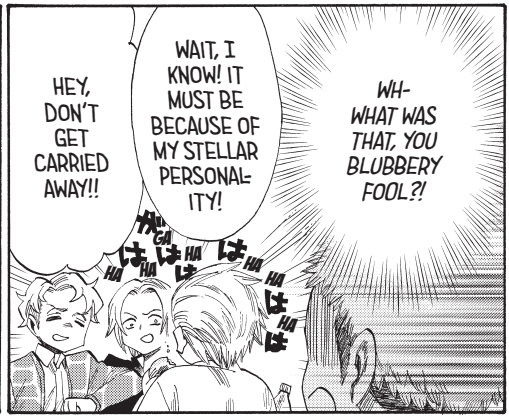
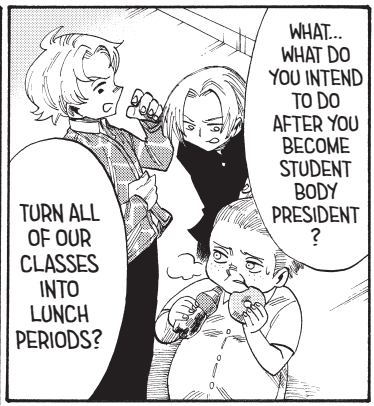
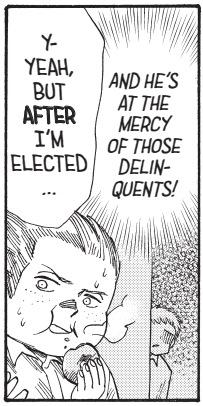
ONE WORD TO POP, AND I CAN DO ANYTHING!

HEY, YOU DIDN'T FORGET YOUR PROMISE, DID YOU?
WHAT? ARE YOU SERIOUS?
I DID WHAT I SAID AND VOTED FOR YOU. SO YOU HAVE TO TREAT ME TO TAKOYAKI LIKE YOU PROMISED!
BWOMM
Hi! Snack!


HEY, DON'T GET CARRIED AWAY!!
WAIT, I KNOW! IT MUST BE BECAUSE OF MY STELLAR PERSONALITY!
WH- WHAT WAS THAT, YOU BLUBBERY FOOL?!
GA HA HA HA HA HA HA HA HA

COME ON! IT ISN'T LIKE THAT!
GOOD QUESTION! HE'S USING HIS FATHER'S INFLUENCE TO BUY THE ELECTION, SO WHAT'S IT FOR?


TURN ALL OF OUR CLASSES INTO LUNCH PERIODS?
WHAT... WHAT DO YOU INTEND TO DO AFTER YOU BECOME STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT?


Y- YEAH, BUT **AFTER** I'M ELECTED ...
AND HE'S AT THE MERCY OF THOSE DELINQUENTS!

I'M GONNA MAKE DONUTS THE ONLY FOOD IN THE SCHOOL!
CONSIDER THAT MY CAMPAIGN PROMISE!

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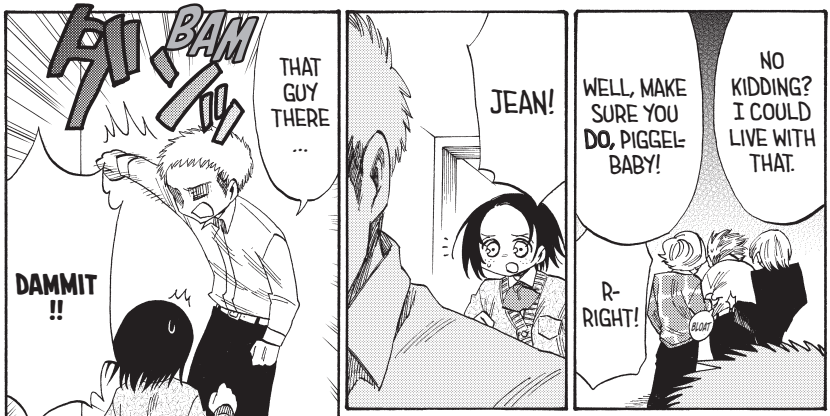
WHEEZE


BAM
THAT GUY THERE ...
DAMMIT !!
JEAN!
NO KIDDING? I COULD LIVE WITH THAT.
WELL, MAKE SURE YOU DO, PIGGEL-BABY!
R-RIGHT!
BLOT

JEAN...
HOW CAN I BE LOSING TO THIS GUY...?!
DON'T MAKE ME LAUGH!!
THAT BLUBBERY BUFFOON! HE CALLS MAKING DONUTS THE ONLY FOOD IN THE SCHOOL A CAMPAIGN PROMISE?!
I WONDER IF HE REMEMBERS HE BASICALLY MADE THE SAME PROMISE... STILL, I FEEL KINDA SORRY FOR HIM.
OW!
I'VE NEVER SEEN HIM IN SUCH A STATE...
ILSE... YOU'VE MOVED ME.
JUST LEAVE IT TO ME!
YOU'D STILL MAKE A BETTER STUDENT-BODY PRESIDENT THAN HIM, PROBABLY!
I'LL DO WHAT-EVER I CAN TO STOP HIS GREEDY PLANS!
ALL RIGHT, JEAN!

DONNG
DINNG
キーン
コーン
カーン
HM?
AH, SCHOOL'S FINALLY OVER! I'M SO HUNGRY!
AND SINCE I'M NOT A FEMALE CHARACTER, MY HUNGER MAKES ME DUMB AND FAT INSTEAD OF CUTE.
NOW I WILL USE THEM TO TAKE THIS GUY DOWN!!
I'VE BEEN CULTIVATING MY SKILLS AS A REPORTER FOR YEARS!
TROMP
TROMP
THERE'S CERTAINLY NO WAY THAT THIS COULD BE A RUSE TO TRAP ME, THE FAT ANTAGONIST IN A SHONEN MANGA!!
GOLD FLAKES ARE MIXED IN WITH THE BATTER, AND THE TOPPING IS SO RARE, THEY CALL IT "BLOOD-THICKENING DIAMOND!"
NOT ONLY THAT, IT'S ONE OF THE LIMITED-RUN DONUTS FROM THAT SPECIALTY GERMAN DONUT SHOP, CHOCO SCHWANZ-STUCKER!!
TROMP
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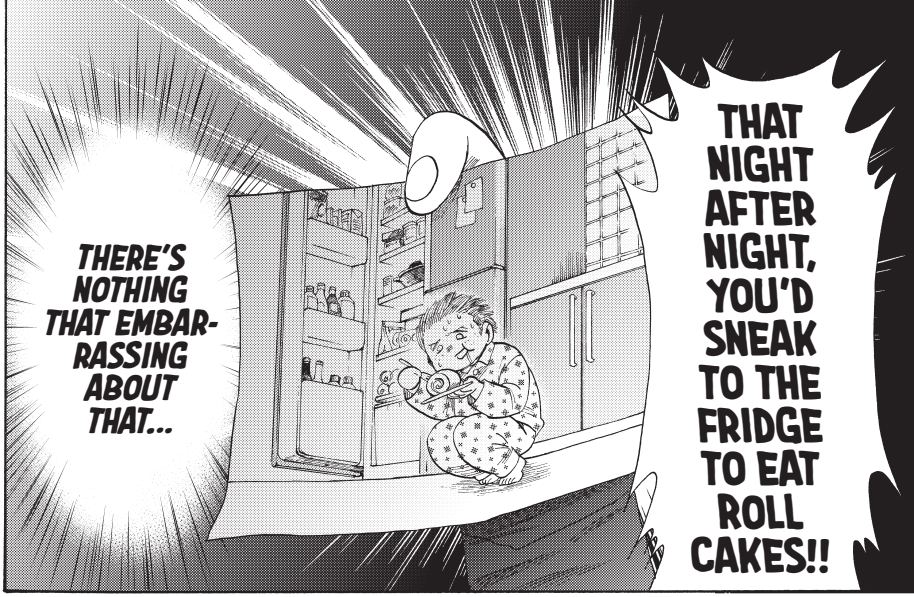
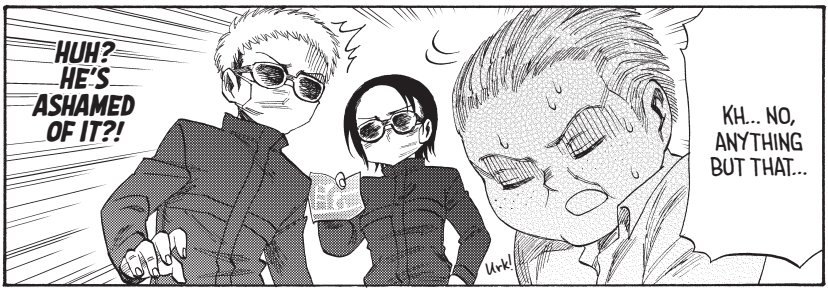
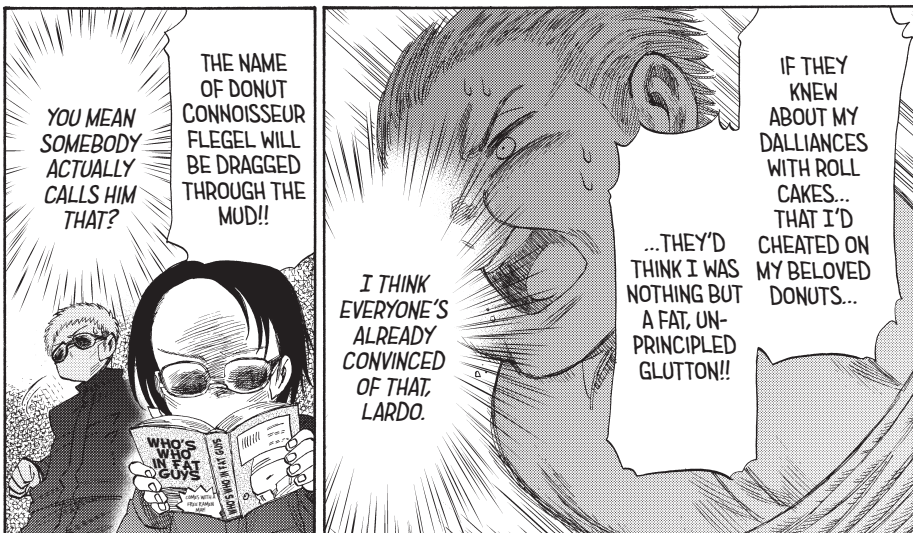
TROMP
TROMP
SHEEEEN
A DONUT, THERE?!
WH-WHAT IS THIS ...?
HEH HEH HEH ...
!!
NYAZWAAA

WHEN YOU TOLD ME YOUR PLAN WAS TO "THROW A BIG NET ON HIM," I THOUGHT YOU'D STOOD TOO CLOSE TO THE MICRO-WAVE.
HUH ?!
AND HERE I WASTED ALL THAT TIME DIGGING THE PIT-FALL TRAP...
...BUT THAT DOESN'T MATTER NOW.
JUST WHAT ARE YOU AFTER ?!
THE DONUT ?!
I'll give you anything but that!! I've gotta have that donut!
LET'S GET STRAIGHT TO THE POINT.
No!
YOU ARE GOING TO DROP OUT OF THE RACE!!
IF YOU DON'T, I WILL LET THE ENTIRE SCHOOL KNOW ABOUT YOUR MOST EMBARRASS-ING SECRET!!
I SEE HE CATCHES ON FAST.
SECRET? AH! YOU CAN'T MEAN...
YES, HIS WEAK POINT...
I DISCOVERED IT WHILE DIGGING INTO HIS PRIVATE LIFE.
ACTUALLY, I'D RATHER NOT DO SOMETHING LIKE THIS, BUT IF I'M GOING TO MAKE YOU STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT, I'M GOING TO HAVE TO USE TACTICS I'D NORMALLY SHUN.
IF ILSE'S THAT SURE OF HER-SELF, IT'S PROBABLY SOME-THING REALLY TERRIFY-ING.
SO, YOU'RE ALL RIGHT WITH LET-TING THE WORLD KNOW?

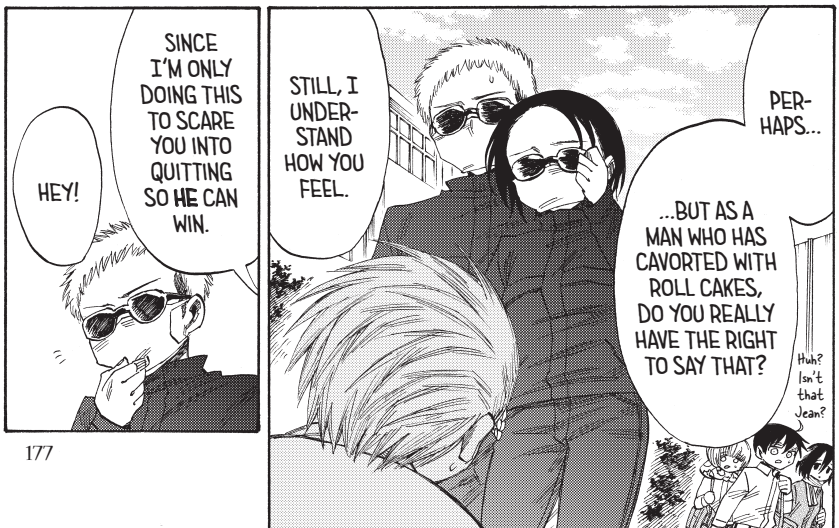

THAT NIGHT AFTER NIGHT, YOU'D SNEAK TO THE FRIDGE TO EAT ROLL CAKES!!
THERE'S NOTHING THAT EMBARRASSING ABOUT THAT...

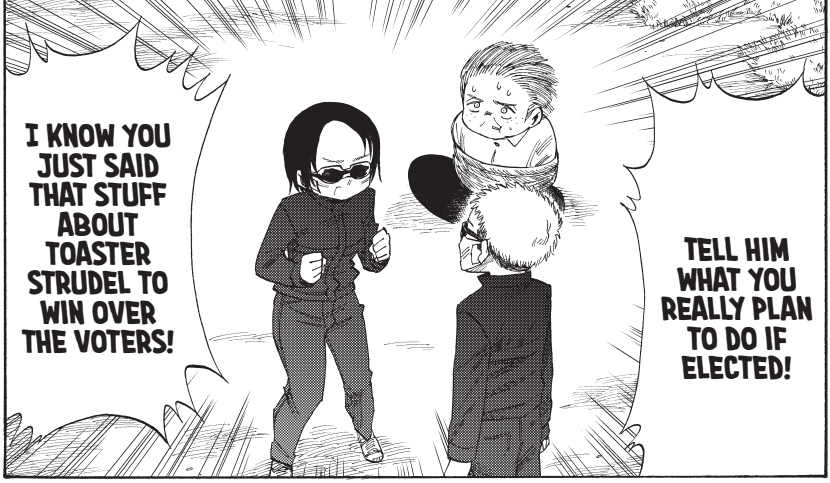

KH... NO, ANYTHING BUT THAT...
Urk!
HUH? HE'S ASHAMED OF IT?!

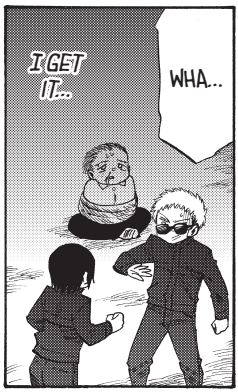

IF THEY KNEW ABOUT MY DALLIANCES WITH ROLL CAKES... THAT I'D CHEATED ON MY BELOVED DONUTS...
...THEY'D THINK I WAS NOTHING BUT A FAT, UNPRINCIPLED GLUTTON!!
I THINK EVERYONE'S ALREADY CONVINCED OF THAT, LARDO.
THE NAME OF DONUT CONNOISSEUR FLEGEL WILL BE DRAGGED THROUGH THE MUD!!
YOU MEAN SOMEBODY ACTUALLY CALLS HIM THAT?
WHO'S WHO IN FAT GUYS

I KNOW...
...BUT...
You think so?
YOU KNOW WHAT YOU MUST DO NOW, RIGHT?
YOU CAN TRY TO RUN, BUT ONCE THE WORLD FINDS OUT ABOUT THIS, YOUR POLITICAL LIFE IS OVER!

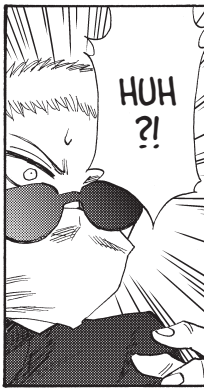
AND TO DO THAT, I HAVE TO WIN!! I'M DRIVEN TO SHARE MY PASTRY LOVE WITH ALL MY FELLOW STUDENTS!!
...ALL I REALLY WANTED TO DO WAS SHOW EVERYONE AT SCHOOL JUST HOW WONDERFUL DONUTS ARE!!

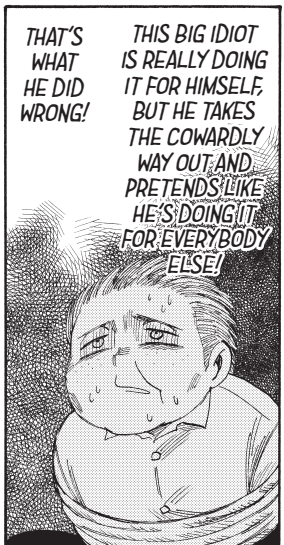

HEY!
SINCE I'M ONLY DOING THIS TO SCARE YOU INTO QUITTING SO HE CAN WIN.
STILL, I UNDER-STAND HOW YOU FEEL.
PER-HAPS...
...BUT AS A MAN WHO HAS CAVORTED WITH ROLL CAKES, DO YOU REALLY HAVE THE RIGHT TO SAY THAT?
Huh? Isn't that Jean?

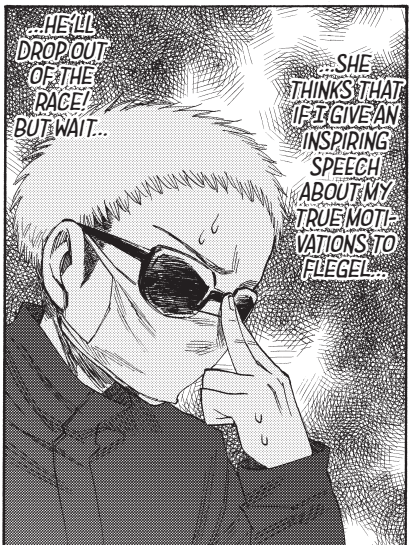

I KNOW YOU JUST SAID THAT STUFF ABOUT TOASTER STRUDEL TO WIN OVER THE VOTERS!
TELL HIM WHAT YOU REALLY PLAN TO DO IF ELECTED!


I GET IT...
WHA...

I'll crush him!
That blubbery bastard!
THERE'S NO REASON FOR YOU TO FEEL SUCH RAGE IF YOU DIDN'T!!
I HEARD YOUR CAMPAIGN SPEECH, BUT YOU HAVE BETTER REASONS, REAL REASONS TO RUN, RIGHT?!


HUH ?!


THAT'S WHAT HE DID WRONG!
THIS BIG IDIOT IS REALLY DOING IT FOR HIMSELF, BUT HE TAKES THE COWARDLY WAY OUT AND PRETENDS LIKE HE'S DOING IT FOR EVERYBODY ELSE!


...HE'LL DROP OUT OF THE RACE! BUT WAIT...
...SHE THINKS THAT IF I GIVE AN INSPIRING SPEECH ABOUT MY TRUE MOTIVATIONS TO FLEGEL...

AND...
THAT'S THE WHOLE REASON ILSE HELPED ME...

YOU SEE, I...
ILSE...
SO IF I WANT TO WIN THEM OVER, I SHOULD TELL THEM THE TRUTH!!
...BECAUSE I'M INCREDIBLY INSECURE AND CRAVE SPECIAL TREATMENT AND DEFERENCE FROM OTHERS.
ZWIP
クイッ
...WANT TO BECOME STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT ...
WOBBLE
GRGL
THAT'S THE ONLY REASON.
CHOK

WHOOSH
NOT THE FACE!!
H-HEY, WHAT'RE YOU DOING ?!
PLIP
THWAK
THAT'S EVEN WORSE THAN DONUTS, YOU CREEP!!
I WASH MY HANDS OF THE BOTH OF YOU!!
AND THUS, FLEGEL'S INFIDELITIES WERE NEVER MADE KNOWN TO THE WORLD.
AND THE ELECTION WENT ON AS IF NONE OF THIS EVER HAPPENED.
We've finally finished counting the votes...
...and your next student-body president will be...

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FLEGE
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Ilse Langnar!!
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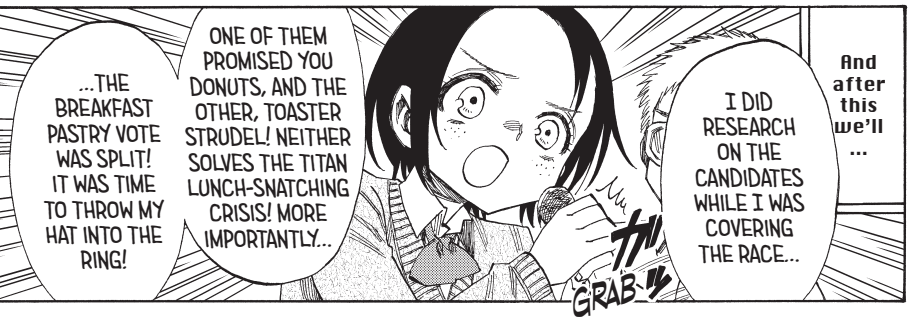
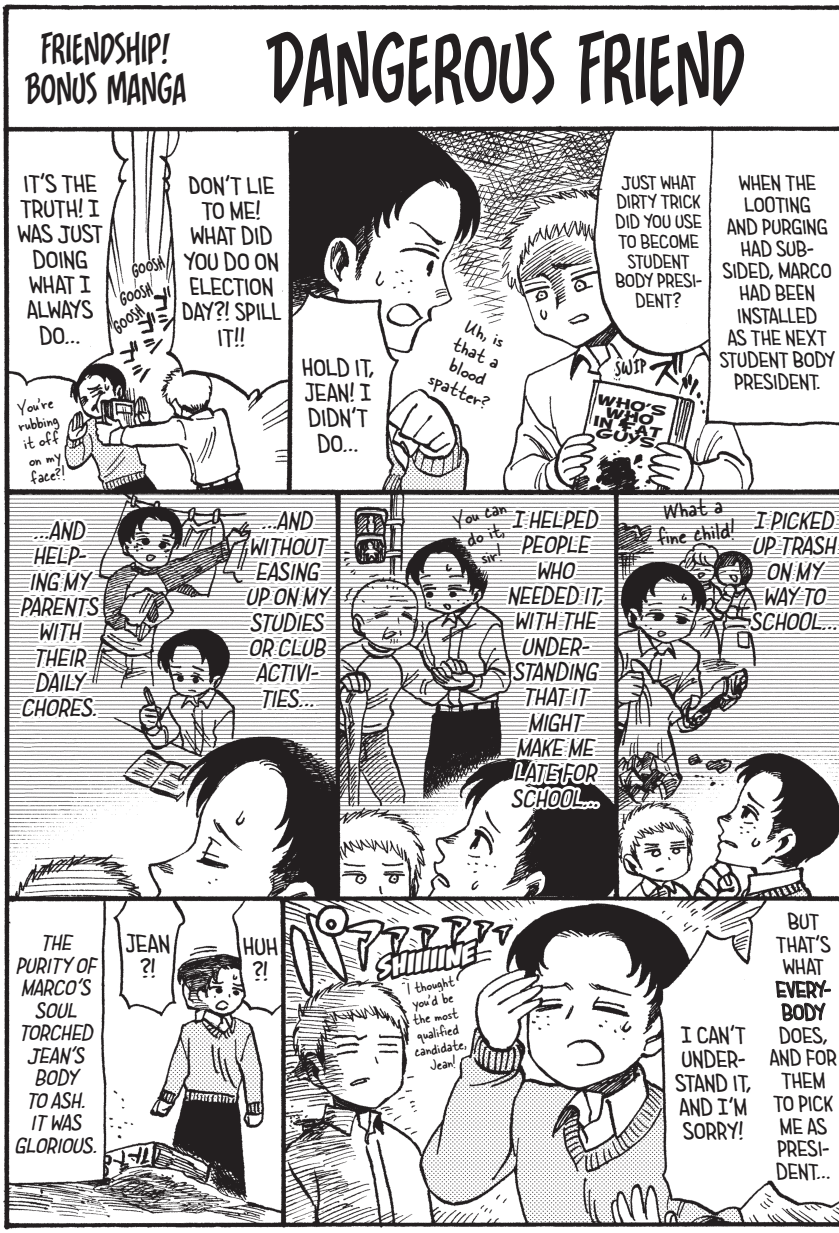
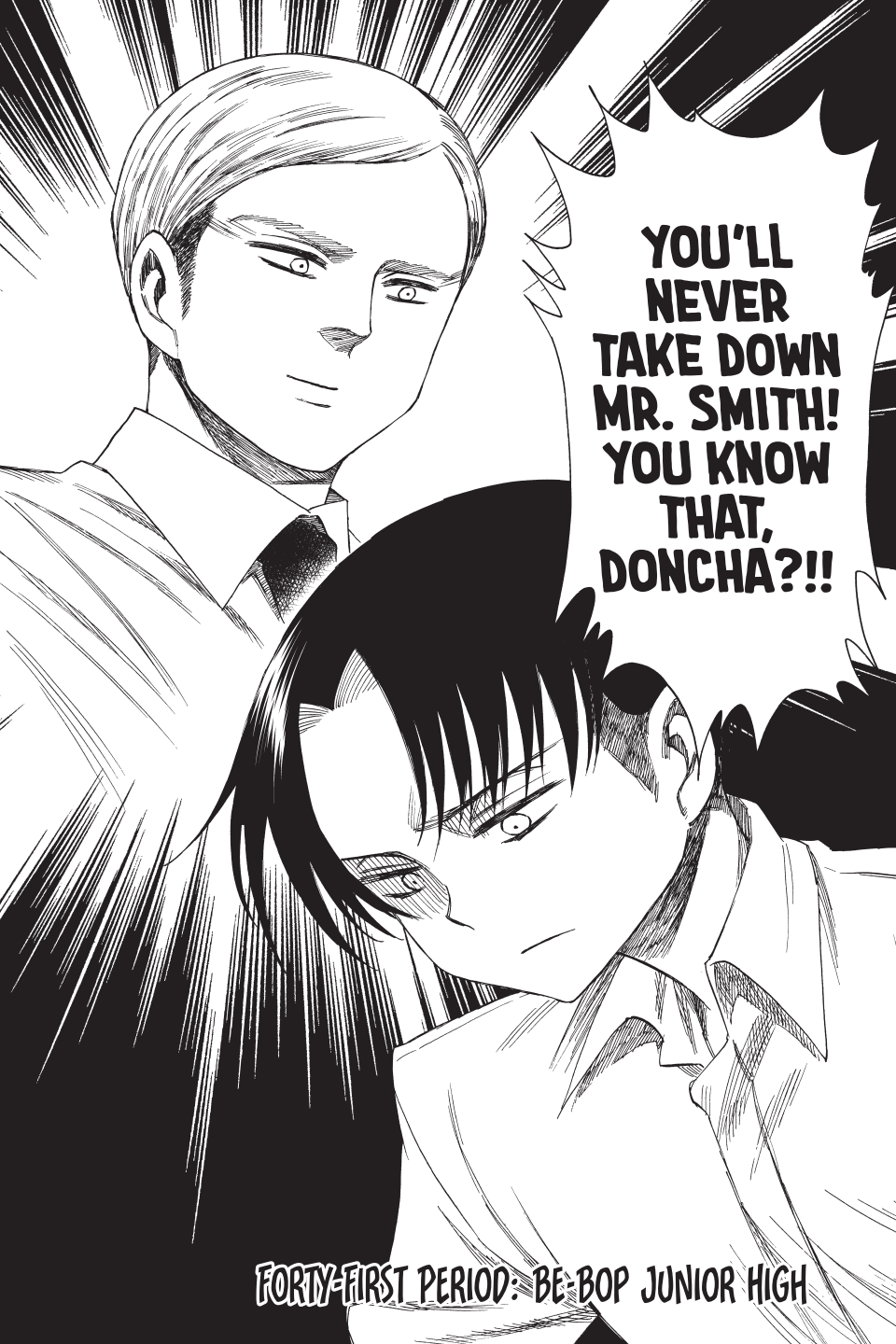

And after this we'll ...
I DID RESEARCH ON THE CANDIDATES WHILE I WAS COVERING THE RACE...
ガシ GRAB
ONE OF THEM PROMISED YOU DONUTS, AND THE OTHER, TOASTER STRUDEL! NEITHER SOLVES THE TITAN LUNCH-SNATCHING CRISIS! MORE IMPORTANTLY...
...THE BREAKFAST PASTRY VOTE WAS SPLIT! IT WAS TIME TO THROW MY HAT INTO THE RING!

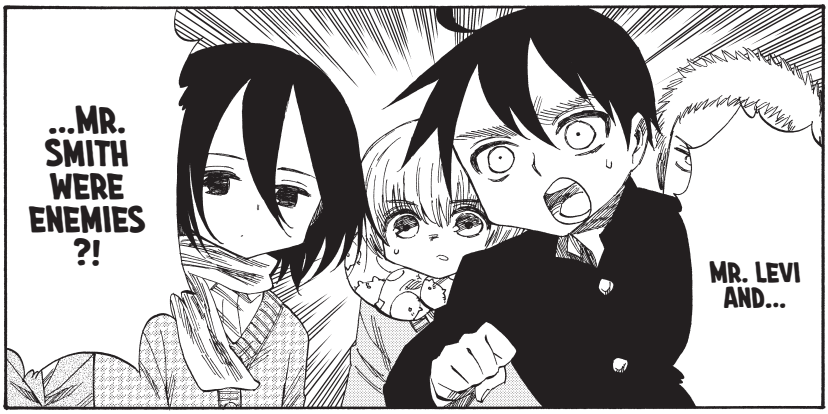
THE RIOT THAT STARTED THE NEXT DAY UNSEATED ILSE FROM POWER, AND WHEN THE DUST SETTLED, MARCO HAD BEEN INSTALLED AS THE NEXT STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT.
Me?!
SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION BUDGET
REPAIRS BUDGET
UTILITIES BUDGET
MANAGEMENT BUDGET
WEEPING BRITISH MAN
JAMIE OLIVER IS ON HIS WAY RIGHT NOW! THE ENTIRE SCHOOL BUDGET WILL GO TO NURTURING HEALTHY BODIES AND HEALTHY MINDS!
はあ Huuuuh?あああ!?
THE TITANS ONLY STEAL OUR LUNCHES BECAUSE THEY'RE HIGH IN FAT, SUGAR, AND PROTEIN!
Is that right?
Really?
SO MY GOVERNMENT WILL BRING YOU... A NEW HEALTHY SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM!

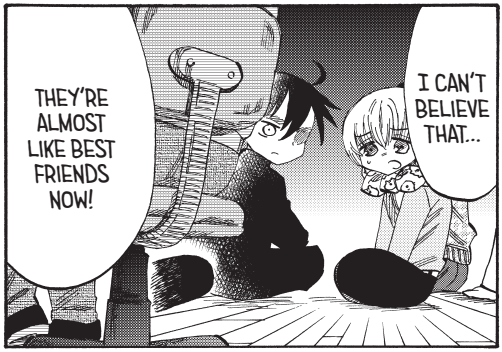

FRIENDSHIP! BONUS MANGA
DANGEROUS FRIEND
IT'S THE TRUTH! I WAS JUST DOING WHAT I ALWAYS DO...
GOOSH GOOSH GOOSH
You're rubbing it off on my face?!
DON'T LIE TO ME! WHAT DID YOU DO ON ELECTION DAY?! SPILL IT!!
HOLD IT, JEAN! I DIDN'T DO...
Uh, is that a blood spatter?
JUST WHAT DIRTY TRICK DID YOU USE TO BECOME STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT?
SWIP
WHO'S WHO IN FAT GUYS
WHEN THE LOOTING AND PURGING HAD SUBSIDED, MARCO HAD BEEN INSTALLED AS THE NEXT STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT.
...AND HELPING MY PARENTS WITH THEIR DAILY CHORES.
...AND WITHOUT EASING UP ON MY STUDIES OR CLUB ACTIVITIES...
You can do it, sir!
I HELPED PEOPLE WHO NEEDED IT, WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT IT MIGHT MAKE ME LATE FOR SCHOOL...
What a fine child!
I PICKED UP TRASH ON MY WAY TO SCHOOL...
THE PURITY OF MARCO'S SOUL TORCHED JEAN'S BODY TO ASH. IT WAS GLORIOUS.
JEAN ?!
HUH ?!
SHIIIIINE
"I thought you'd be the most qualified candidate, Jean!
I CAN'T UNDERSTAND IT, AND I'M SORRY!
BUT THAT'S WHAT EVERYBODY DOES, AND FOR THEM TO PICK ME AS PRESIDENT...

TWO YEARS AGO...
I GOT NO USE FOR YOU. GET LOST!
YOU GOT GUTS SAYIN' THAT!
YER TRYIN' TO SEE HIM, AIN'T YA?
YOU WORTH-LESS LITTLE...
BOOOOOM
D-DAM-MIT!!
WHAT'RE YOU REALLY AFTER?!



FORTY-FIRST PERIOD: BE-BOP JUNIOR HIGH


MR. LEVI AND...
...MR. SMITH WERE ENEMIES ?!


I CAN'T BELIEVE THAT...
THEY'RE ALMOST LIKE BEST FRIENDS NOW!

YOU GOT IT!
BY THE WAY, THIS WAS BEFORE HE JOINED THE SURVEY CLUB.

WHAT COULD HAVE HAPPENED WITH THOSE TWO?!
I'LL TELL YOU. BUT FIRST...

SWEET FRIEND READING TIME
TAKING DOWN ORGANIZATIONS
I ALONE POWER LEVELING

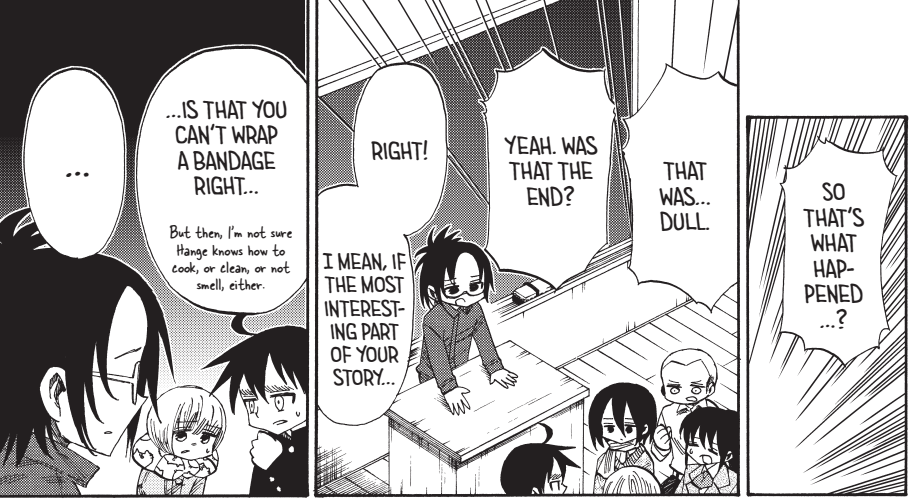
Can't hold her club meetings without money.
HUH?
...I'M AFRAID MY PIGGY BANK IS HUNGRY FOR MORE TEN-YEN DONATIONS.
...
はOKAAAAyしが
Presently skipping their club meetings.
YOU HOLD THE KEY, RIGHT?
QUIT MAKING MY LIFE HARDER!
ドゴォ!!
CRAKKK
SOMEONE WITH SO LITTLE RESPECT FOR BROOMS...
...HAS NO RIGHT TO DO WHAT YOU'RE TRYING TO DO!
ZWOOOSH

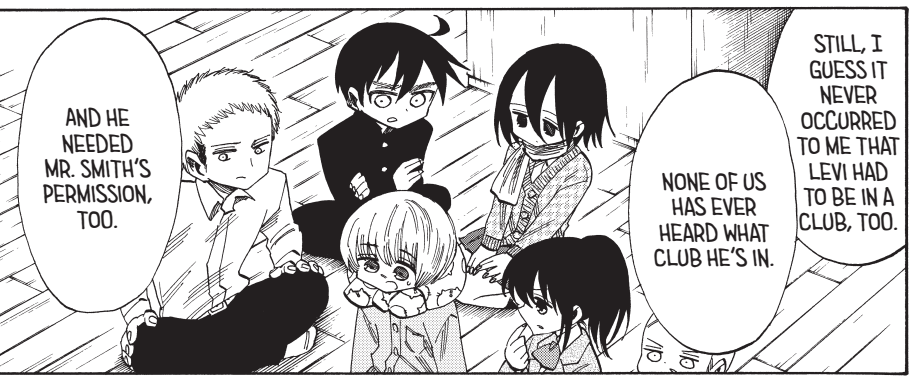
I SEE. NOW YOUR TRUE COLORS ARE CLEAR.
GRAB IT!!!
SO WHAT?
...YOU ARE THE PUPPETMASTER BEHIND EVERYTHING, LIKE THAT THREE-EYED RAT CREATURE FROM FUTURAMA!
YOU SMILE AND MAKE NICE WITH EVEYRONE ON THE OUTSIDE ...
BUT REALLY...
CRAKK
THERE !!
SHUUM
SST

WHUMP
BAM
Tak!
TWITT
...I CAN'T POSSIBLY LET YOU IN.
WITH YOU AS YOU ARE...
YOU'RE FAR FROM READY.
HUUH? THEN WHAT WAS IT?
THE SURVEY CLUB WAS UNDER-MANNED EVEN AT THAT TIME.
Wrong answers mean you owe Piggy an extra 100 yen.
Awww
ピーポーン
DING DING
WRONGO!
MR. SMITH HAD TO MEAN THE SURVEY
BZZZT!
BY "LET YOU IN"...

THEY'RE THE BEST OF FRIENDS NOW! AND YOU SAY THEY WERE SNARLING AT EACH OTHER LIKE MAD DOGS!
WHY WOULD ERWIN BE TALKING ABOUT "LETTING LEVI IN?"* I HAVE TO KNOW!!
THEN 10 YEN EACH PLEASE.
*Take our advice: Do not search for this on Tumblr!
THE ATTACK JR. HIGH DORM
YOU GOT WORKED OVER PRETTY HARD TODAY...
...
WHY ARE YOU ALWAYS IN MY ROOM?
WELL, THAT WAY I DON'T HAVE TO PAY FOR ELECTRICITY AND HEATING IN MY OWN ROO...
AH!
I MEAN, BECAUSE I'M YOUR BUDDY! HERE, LET ME WRAP THOSE BANDAGES, BUDDY.

I JUST SHOWED THEM MY COLLECTION OF PRESERVED SQUIRREL KIDNEYS AND I WAS IN THE SAME DAY.
I MEAN, GETTING INTO THE BIOLOGY CLUB WAS EASY.
LEVI, IS THE CLUB YOU WANT TO GET INTO REALLY THAT DANGEROUS?
WHO KNOWS?
YOU'RE RIGHT THAT IT IS STRANGE...
I'LL JUST SAY... IT'S NO PLACE FOR NORMAL HUMAN BEINGS.
YOU'RE WILLING TO GO THAT FAR TO GET IN...?
MAYBE YOU SHOULD JUST GIVE UP AND—
ENOUGH! DON'T WORRY ABOUT ME!
NO! LEVI, YOU HAVE TO OPEN UP TO SOME...
NO, I MEAN...
I THINK YOU'RE MAKING MY ARM WORSE.
DOOM


...
...IS THAT YOU CAN'T WRAP A BANDAGE RIGHT...
But then, I'm not sure Hange knows how to cook, or clean, or not smell, either.
RIGHT!
I MEAN, IF THE MOST INTERESTING PART OF YOUR STORY...
YEAH. WAS THAT THE END?
THAT WAS... DULL.
SO THAT'S WHAT HAPPENED ...?


AND HE NEEDED MR. SMITH'S PERMISSION, TOO.
NONE OF US HAS EVER HEARD WHAT CLUB HE'S IN.
STILL, I GUESS IT NEVER OCCURRED TO ME THAT LEVI HAD TO BE IN A CLUB, TOO.

THOUGH MY WALLET MIGHT NOT AGREE...!
I SUPPOSE I'D BE MODERATELY INTERESTED IN KNOWING THE ANSWERS TO THESE QUESTIONS...
WANT MORE? ZOO TEA!
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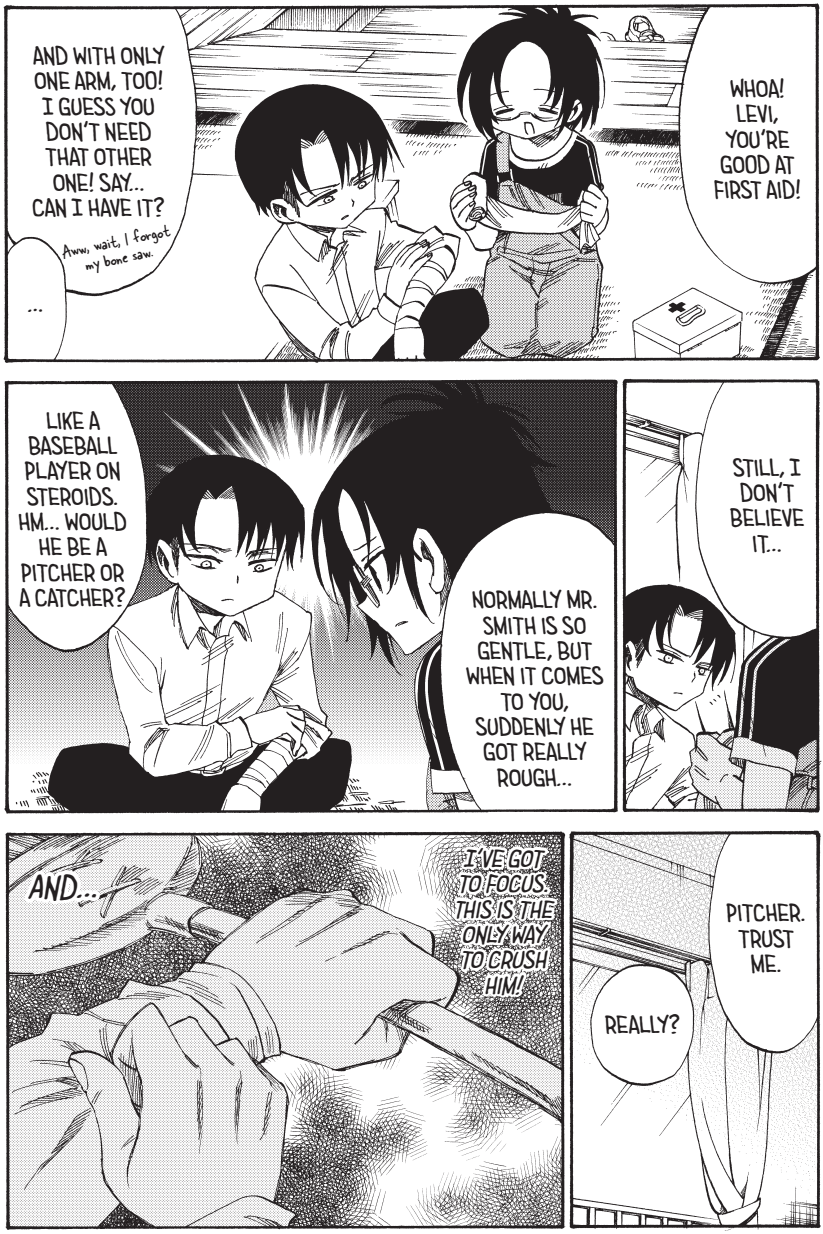
THE QUESTION THEN IS, WHAT CLUB WAS MR. SMITH ADVISING?


WHOA! LEVI, YOU'RE GOOD AT FIRST AID!
AND WITH ONLY ONE ARM, TOO! I GUESS YOU DON'T NEED THAT OTHER ONE! SAY... CAN I HAVE IT?
Aww, wait, I forgot my bone saw.
...
STILL, I DON'T BELIEVE IT...
NORMALLY MR. SMITH IS SO GENTLE, BUT WHEN IT COMES TO YOU, SUDDENLY HE GOT REALLY ROUGH...
LIKE A BASEBALL PLAYER ON STEROIDS. HM... WOULD HE BE A PITCHER OR A CATCHER?
PITCHER. TRUST ME.
REALLY?
I'VE GOT TO FOCUS. THIS IS THE ONLY WAY TO CRUSH HIM!
AND...!

FACULTY OFFICES
LOOKS LIKE WE'RE DONE HERE.
...I'LL ONLY HAVE ONE CHANCE AT IT!!
NOT FOR ME. I'VE GOT LOTS MORE TO DO TODAY.
AFTER ALL, IT'S THE FINAL DAY FOR STUDENT CLUB APPLICATIONS.
OH. WELL, I JUST DO IT ON A FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVED BASIS, SO I'M DONE.
OH, THAT'S VERY... UM... LAZY.
WHAT ABOUT YOUR CLUB, MR. SMITH?
GASP
OH, IT'S JUST LIKE ALWAYS.
NOT EVEN ONE PERSON WANTED TO ENTER.
A-AH. IT WAS ALWAYS THAT WAY, HUH? CHIN UP...
SHUMP

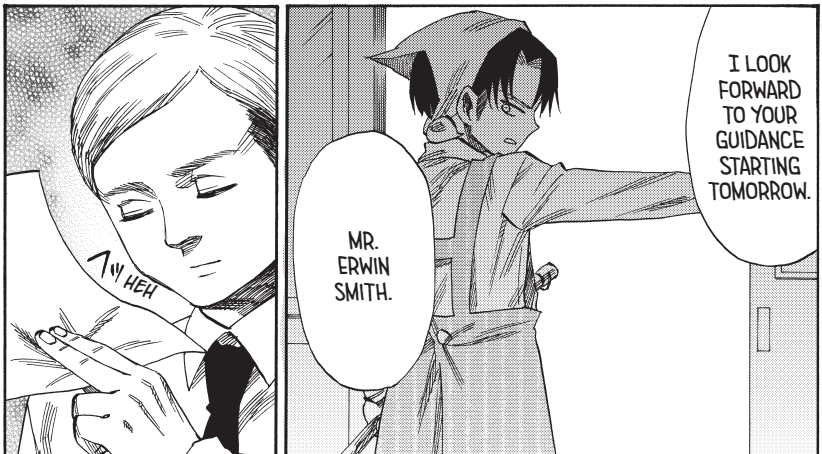
SHKK
HARD TO BELIEVE...
H-HE'S FAST...
Eh?
SHUFF
SHIK
SHK
HEY!! KNOCK! WE'VE GOT GIRLS COMING OVER!
WHAM
...BUT HE CLEANED THE ENTIRE DESK IN A SPLIT SECOND!

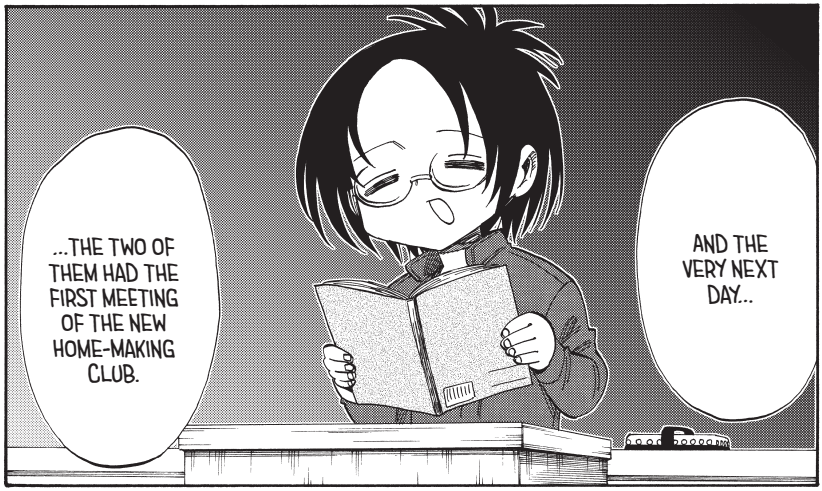
...HE CAN'T RAISE A HAND AGAINST ME HERE...
THIS IS THE FACULTY OFFICE...
パー SLAP
WHOOSH
WHICH MEANS...

ピラッ
FLIP
CLUB APPLICATION
I would like to enter
the
1st Year, Class 1, Levi
I THINK IT'S BEEN A DECADE SINCE IT HAD A MEMBER!
THAT CLUB HASN'T BEEN ACTIVE FOR YEARS. AND MR. SMITH WAS THE ADVISOR...
WHOA!! WHEN DID HE MANAGE TO GET HIS NAME ON THAT SHEET?!

SHKK
CLICK
DOES THIS MEAN THE HOME-MAKING CLUB IS BACK TO ACTIVE STATUS?!

IT STOPPED ALL CLUB ACTIVITIES THE VERY MOMENT THAT MR. SMITH BECAME THE ADVISOR!
Home Ec. Room
The Home-Making Club is not active this year.
SURE, IN THE PAST IT WAS ONE OF THE TOP THREE MOST POPULAR CLUBS, BUT STILL...


FUFU HEH
MR. ERWIN SMITH.
I LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR GUIDANCE STARTING TOMORROW.


AND THE VERY NEXT DAY...
...THE TWO OF THEM HAD THE FIRST MEETING OF THE NEW HOME-MAKING CLUB.

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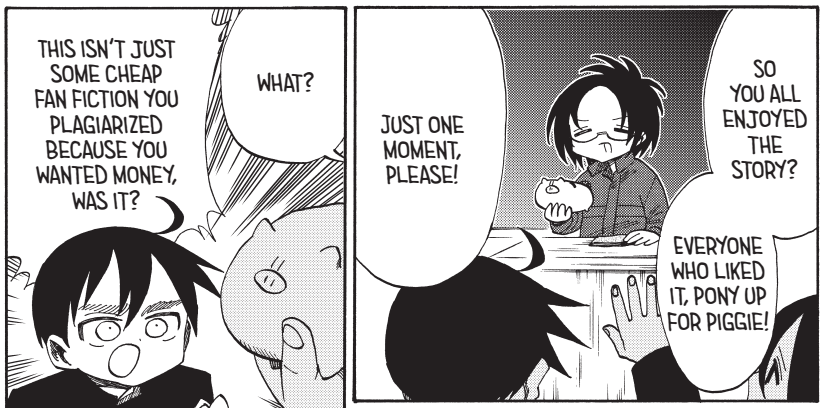
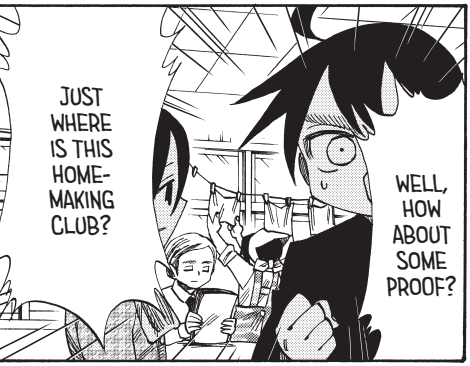
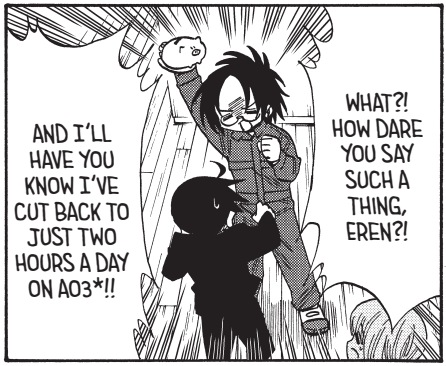
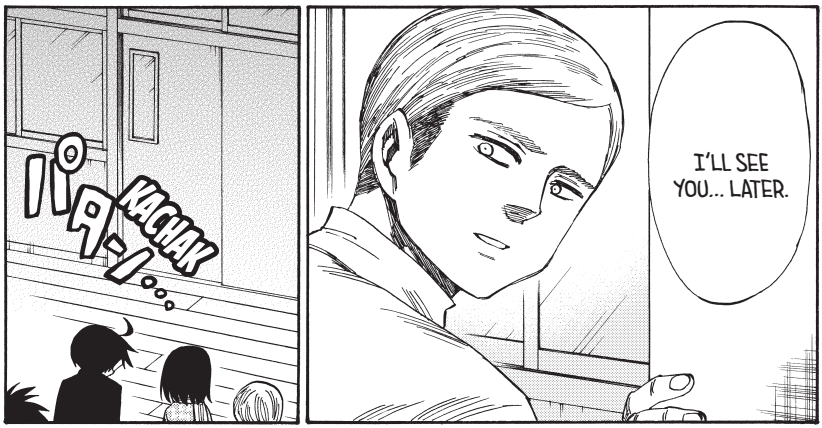

SO YOU ALL ENJOYED THE STORY?
EVERYONE WHO LIKED IT, PONY UP FOR PIGGIE!
JUST ONE MOMENT, PLEASE!
WHAT?
THIS ISN'T JUST SOME CHEAP FAN FICTION YOU PLAGIARIZED BECAUSE YOU WANTED MONEY, WAS IT?





*Probably don't search for this, either.

GREAT CLUB MEETING. THANKS.

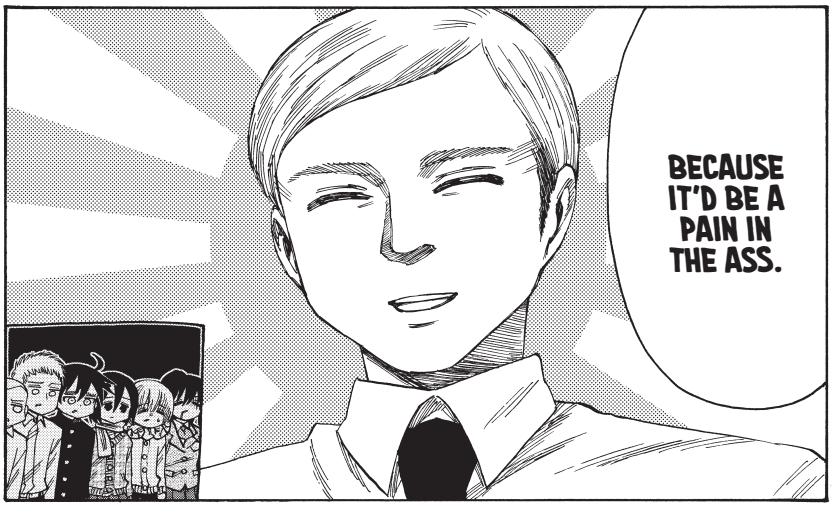

KACHAK
I'LL SEE YOU... LATER.

BAAAAAM
HUH?!
TIME TO START THE SURVEY CLUB MEETING !!

I THOUGHT YOU TWO WERE JUST KILLING A BIT OF TIME!
NOW, WHAT SHALL WE DO...
YOU'RE NOT TELLING ME THAT WHAT JUST HAPPENED WAS THE HOME-MAKING CLUB?!

THIS WAS A PROMISE BETWEEN LEVI AND MYSELF.
FORGIVE US, EREN.
HUH?!
THWAKOW
SST
WAIT, MR. LEVI, I DON'T SEE WHY YOU'D HIDE THAT YOU WERE IN THE HOME-MAKING CLUB...

BUT, MR. SMITH, WHY WOULDN'T YOU WANT...
...PEOPLE TO JOIN?
...I MADE HIM PROMISE NEVER TO TALK ABOUT HOMEMAKING CLUB, BECAUSE THEN OTHER PEOPLE MIGHT WANT TO JOIN.
WHEN HE ENTERED THE HOME-MAKING CLUB...


BECAUSE IT'D BE A PAIN IN THE ASS.

AND THEY BOTH – THE TEACHER WHO DIDN'T WANT TO DO ANY WORK, AND HIS STUDENT, WHO PROBABLY HAD SOME SORT OF OBSESSIVE DISORDER – LIVED HAPPILY EVER AFTER.
YOU JUST DID THAT!!
ALL RIGHT, SURVEY CLUB, TODAY, WE CLEAN.
LEVI MAKES THINGS EASY.
YOU CAN JUST LEAVE HIM, AND HE'LL DO IT ON HIS OWN.
Guess I'll sneak out

YEAH, SORRY ABOUT THAT.
OKAY, I'LL BE WAITING IN THE CLASS-ROOM.
FORTY-SECOND PERIOD: CLOWN BERTOLT
A-ANNIE !!
BABUUUMP
HM?
SHK
AH!
MY REFLEX WAS TO HIDE!
I'M SUCH A PATHETIC ANIMAL...

MEOOOOW
WHAT DO I THINK I'M DOING?!
WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING, BERTOLT?
AND SHE SAW ME ANYWAY!
U-UM...
I SAW YOU THERE, SO I DECIDED TO PRACTICE CAT CALLS.
HMM...
YOU AREN'T VERY GOOD AT THEM.
Yeah...
W-WE'RE FINALLY ALONE!! I GOTTA THINK UP SOMETHING TO SAY..!!
A-ANNIE...
HM?
BA-BUMP
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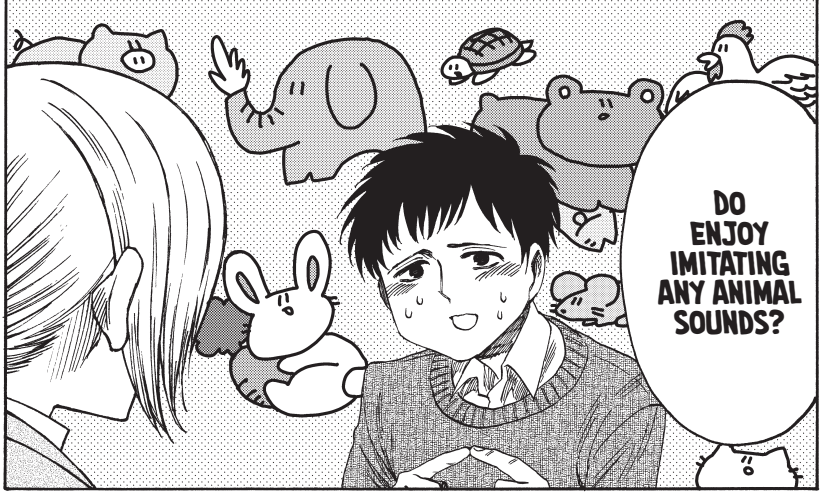
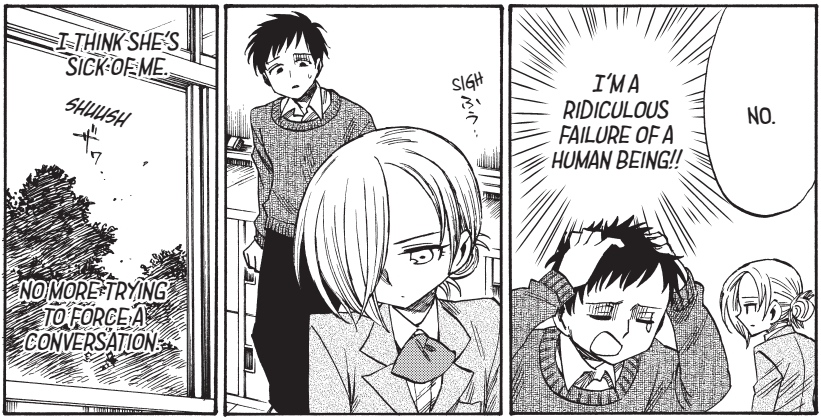
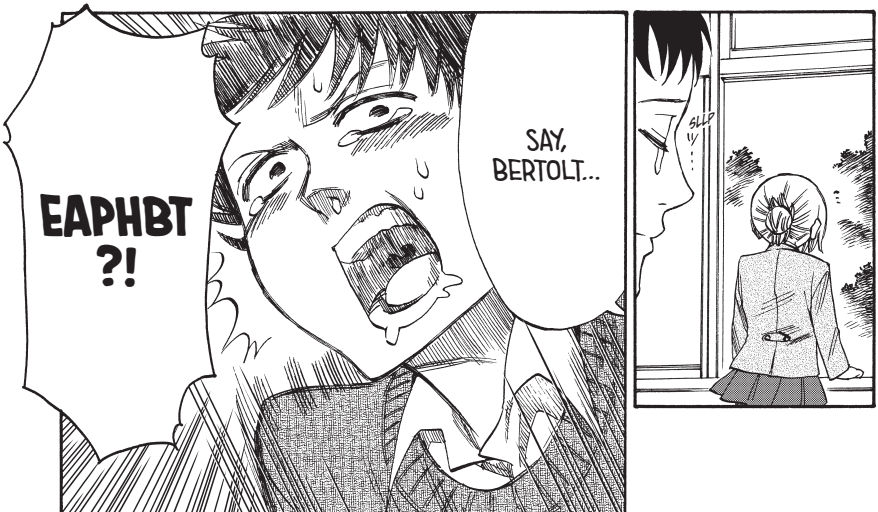
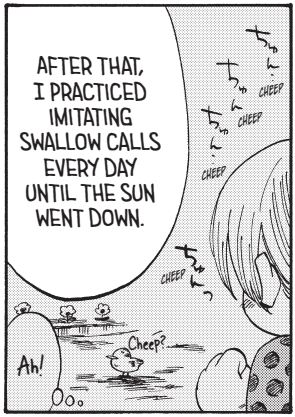

DO ENJOY IMITATING ANY ANIMAL SOUNDS?


I THINK SHE'S SICK OF ME.
SHUUSH
NO MORE TRYING TO FORCE A CONVERSATION.
SIGH
I'M A RIDICULOUS FAILURE OF A HUMAN BEING!!
NO.


EAPHBT ?!
SAY, BERTOLT...
SLIP

!!
I JUST REMEMBERED...
I CAN IMITATE A SPARROW.


AFTER THAT, I PRACTICED IMITATING SWALLOW CALLS EVERY DAY UNTIL THE SUN WENT DOWN.
CHEEP
Ah!
Cheep?

AND A WHOLE BUNCH OF SWALLOWS WOULD FLOCK TO HIM.
BUT THERE WAS AN OLD MAN WHO WAS ALWAYS IN THE PARK DOING SWALLOW CALLS.
CHEEP
No fair!
Granpa, you're great!

...BUT THEY'D ALWAYS GET AWAY FROM ME.
WHEN I WAS LITTLE, I USED TO CHASE SPARROWS ...
FLUTTER
FLUTTER
Aww!

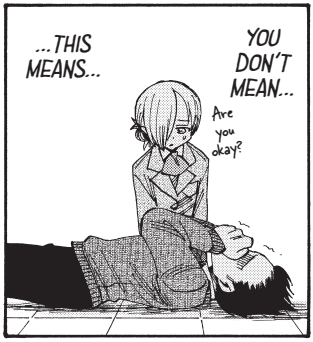
CAN YOU STILL DO IT?

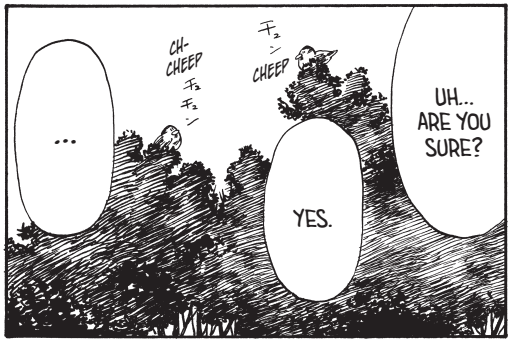
I-IS THAT RIGHT?
THEN...

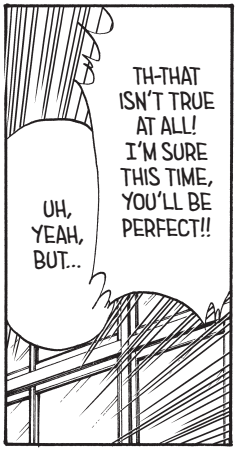
CHEEP
チュチュン
CHEEP
CHEEP
チュン
N-NO, I CAN'T.
HUH? WHY NOT?!
I MEAN, WHAT'S THE POINT?
CHEEP
チュン
THERE IS A REAL SWALLOW RIGHT HERE SINGING.
NO MATTER HOW GOOD I AM, I WON'T BE AS GOOD AS THE REAL THING.
THAT ISN'T TRUE AT ALL!!
THE ESSENCE OF HUMANITY IS BEING ABLE TO MAKE ANIMAL NOISES WITH YOUR MOUTH!!
I WANT TO HEAR THE SPARROW CHIRP THAT ONLY YOU, ANNIE, CAN DO!!

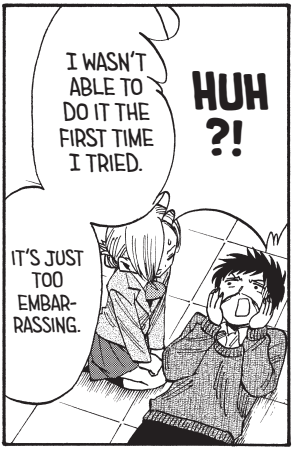
I-I'M SORRY. WHAT I JUST SAID WAS VERY SELFISH AND WEIRD.
I-I CAN UNDERSTAND... THAT YOU MIGHT BE EMBARRASSED.
...IT'S OKAY, BERTOLT.
FINE.
HAHH
HAHH
AH!
I'LL... TRY DOING A SPARROW CALL.
ANNIE, ARE YOU SURE?!
I DON'T REALLY UNDERSTAND WHY WE'RE DOING THIS, BUT IF IT'LL MAKE YOU HAPPY, WHAT THE HELL?
I DOUBT I CAN IMITATE IT AS WELL AS I USED TO, BUT...
...I'LL GIVE IT MY BEST...

BA-BUMP
Wha ?!
PUCKER
WHAT'S THE MATTER, BERTOLT?!
URK... S-SORRY!
SPLURT
WAAAAAAH!!
I HAVEN'T EVEN STARTED YET.
COULD YOU CHECK REAL QUICK AND SEE IF MY CORNEAS HAVE DETACHED?
THAT WAS GREAT, ANNIE... JUST LIKE A BABY SWALLOW.

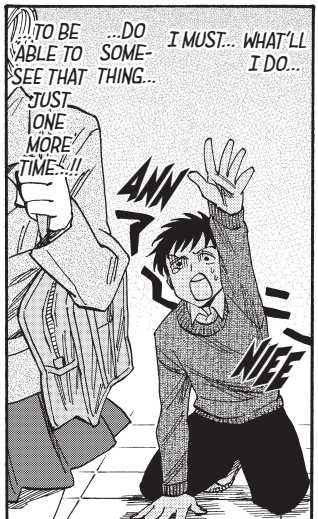

...THIS MEANS...
YOU DON'T MEAN...
Are you okay?


...
CH-CHEEP
CHEEP
UH... ARE YOU SURE?
YES.


TH-THAT ISN'T TRUE AT ALL! I'M SURE THIS TIME, YOU'LL BE PERFECT!!
UH, YEAH, BUT...

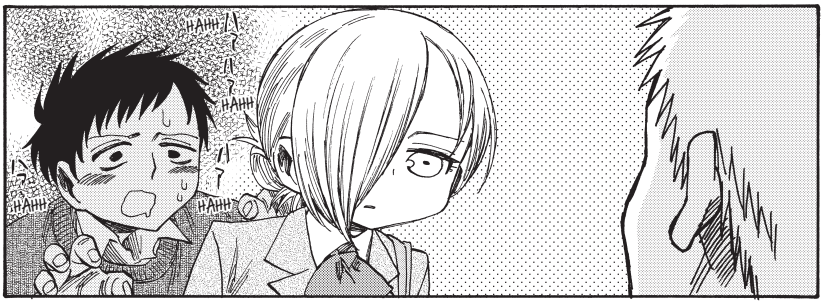

I WASN'T ABLE TO DO IT THE FIRST TIME I TRIED.
HUH?!
IT'S JUST TOO EMBARRASSING.

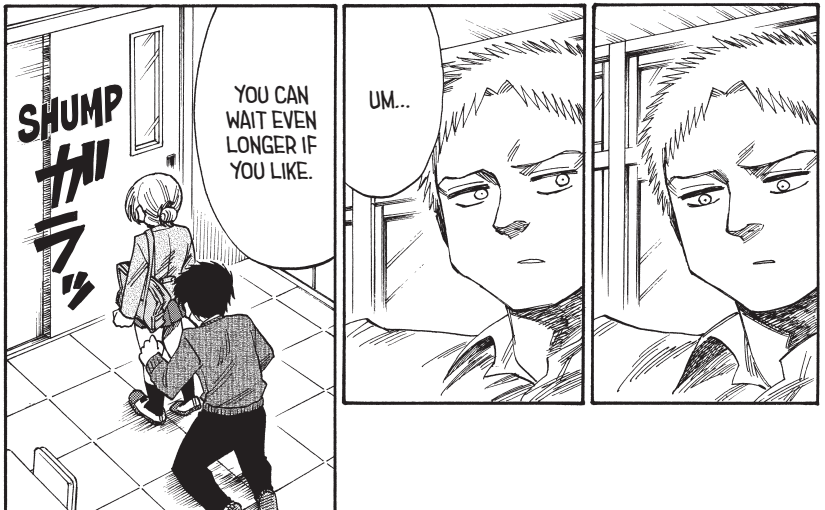
...THAT I GET TO SEE HER DO THAT AGAIN?!
PUCKER
BUT I REALIZED, I CAN'T.

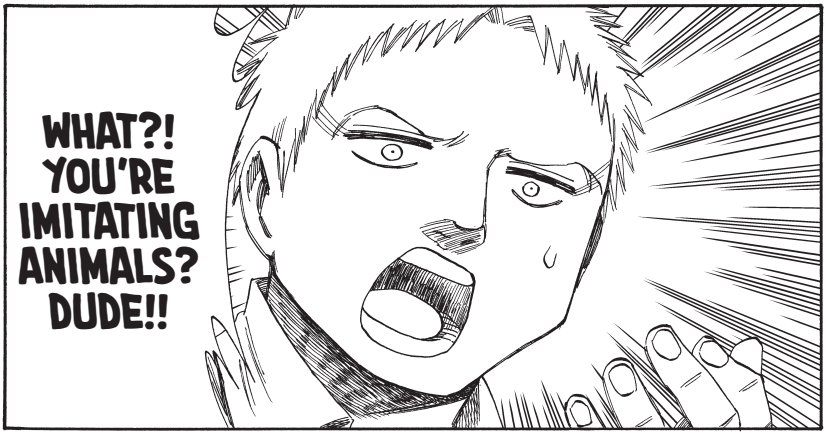

...TO BE ABLE TO SEE THAT JUST ONE MORE TIME...!!
...DO SOMETHING...
I MUST...
WHAT'LL I DO...
NNNNIEE

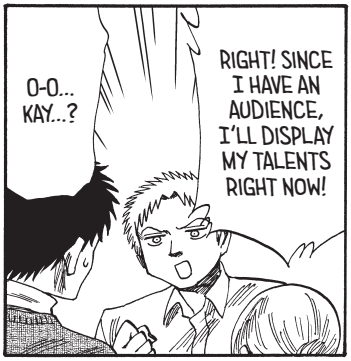
YOU'RE KIDDING...
...THIS REALLY IS THE DUMBEST THING YOU'VE ASKED ME TO DO.
I'M GOING HOME.

VWOOOOOSH
SORRY TO KEEP YOU WAITING, BERTOLT!!

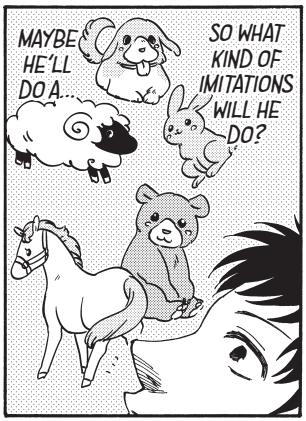

HAHH
HAHH
HAHH

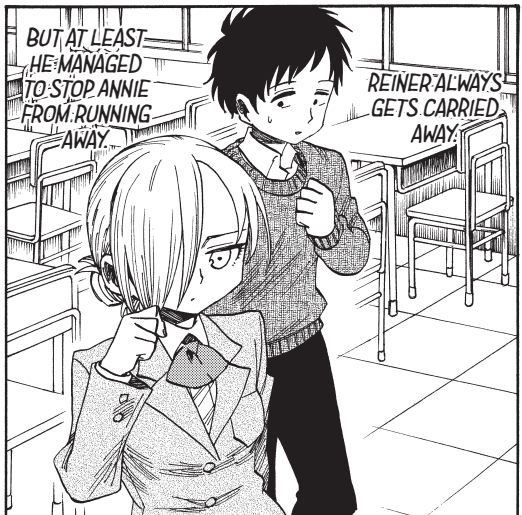

SHUMP
YOU CAN WAIT EVEN LONGER IF YOU LIKE.
UM...


WHAT?! YOU'RE IMITATING ANIMALS? DUDE!!


O-O... KAY...?
RIGHT! SINCE I HAVE AN AUDIENCE, I'LL DISPLAY MY TALENTS RIGHT NOW!

YOU COULD ...?
I WAS SO GOOD AT THAT, BRO.
WHEN I WAS LITTLE, I COULD BLEAT LIKE A MOFO.


MAYBE HE'LL DO A...
SO WHAT KIND OF IMITATIONS WILL HE DO?


BUT AT LEAST HE MANAGED TO STOP ANNIE FROM RUNNING AWAY...
REINER ALWAYS GETS CARRIED AWAY.

...GORILLA?!
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THUMPA
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THUMPA
WITH THE WAY HE COMMITS HIMSELF, I'LL BET HE THINKS OF IT AS HIS BEST IMITATION.
OOK!
ぐおら
GORILLA. GOTTA BE A GORILLA.
IF REINER MANAGES TO DO A GORILLA REALLY WELL...
...THEN WON'T ANNIE LOSE HER NERVE AGAIN...?!
WAIT A SECOND...
AH!
NO KIDDING... REINER, THAT'S JUST WHAT A GORILLA SOUNDS LIKE!
OOK
WHAT'LL I DO?!
I CAN'T LET ANYBODY SEE MY IMITATIONS AFTER THAT!!
OOK
OOK
OOK
AT LEAST I NEED TO MAKE HIM GO EASY ON THE GORILLA ACT...
UM, REINER...
OKAY, HERE I GO!

CHEEP, CHEEP, CHEEP, CHEEP...
CHEEP, CHEEP, CHEEP...
CHEEP!
CHEEP, CHEEP, CHEEP...
FLUTTER
FLUTTER
CHEEP, CHEEP, CHEEP, CHEEP...
CHEEP
CHEEP, CHEEP, CHEEP...
CHEEP, CHEEP...
CHEEP
CHEEP
CHEEP
CHEEP
CHEEP
CHEEP
CHEEP, CHEEP, CHEEP, CHEEP...
(AH YES, LITTLE ONES, I SEE. YOU WISH TO JOIN IN MY SONG!)
CHEEP, CHEEP, CHEEP, CHEEP...
(GREETINGS, GENTLE FRIENDS OF THE DRYAD.)

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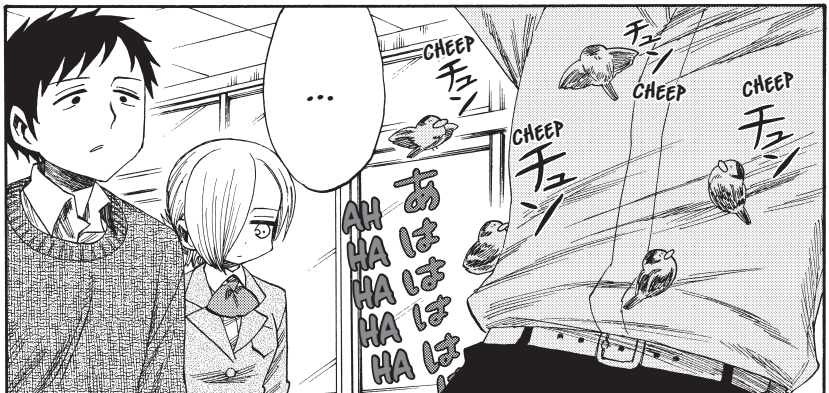
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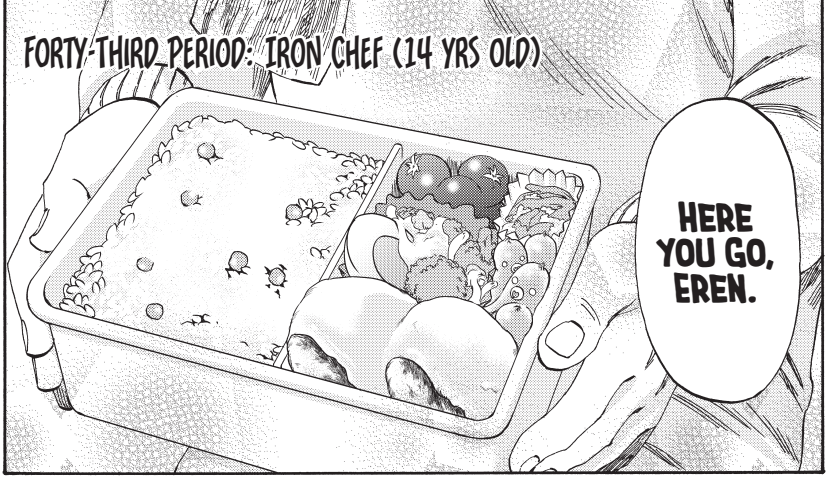
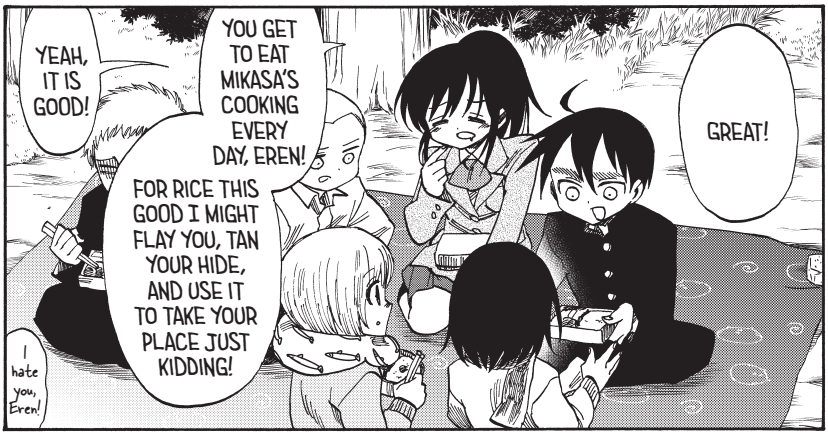
FLUTTER
FLUTTER
NOOOO!! EVERY-THING'S RUINED!!
I BELIEVE YOU HAVE IT WRONG, REINER.
I THINK, MOST LIKELY...
Um, Reiner...
Annie, do your sparrow call!!
AH!
WHY DID YOU PICK THAT ANI-MAL?!
I'M SORRY, BERTOLT!!
I DIDN'T KNOW YOU HATED SPARROWS!
...BERTOLT WAS HOPING FOR YOUR GORILLA IMITATION.
HUUH?! HOW COULD I EVER DO A GORILLA?!
I was supposed to do the sparrow.
That's too hard!
YES, ANNIE IS PRETTY THICK.


FORTY-THIRD PERIOD: IRON CHEF (14 YRS OLD)
HERE YOU GO, EREN.


GREAT!
YOU GET TO EAT MIKASA'S COOKING EVERY DAY, EREN!
YEAH, IT IS GOOD!
FOR RICE THIS GOOD I MIGHT FLAY YOU, TAN YOUR HIDE, AND USE IT TO TAKE YOUR PLACE JUST KIDDING!
I hate you, Eren!

I THINK MY COOKING IS JUST ORDINARY.
Wait, what was that part about my hide?
NOT AT ALL! I HEAR A MEMBER OF THE COOKING CLUB WANTED TO BE YOUR DISCIPLE—
GANCH
WOBBLEWOBBLE WOBBLE

INVITATION

MS. MIKASA ACKERMAN

YOU WILL BE EXPECTED IN THE HOME ECONOMICS ROOM AFTER SCHOOL.

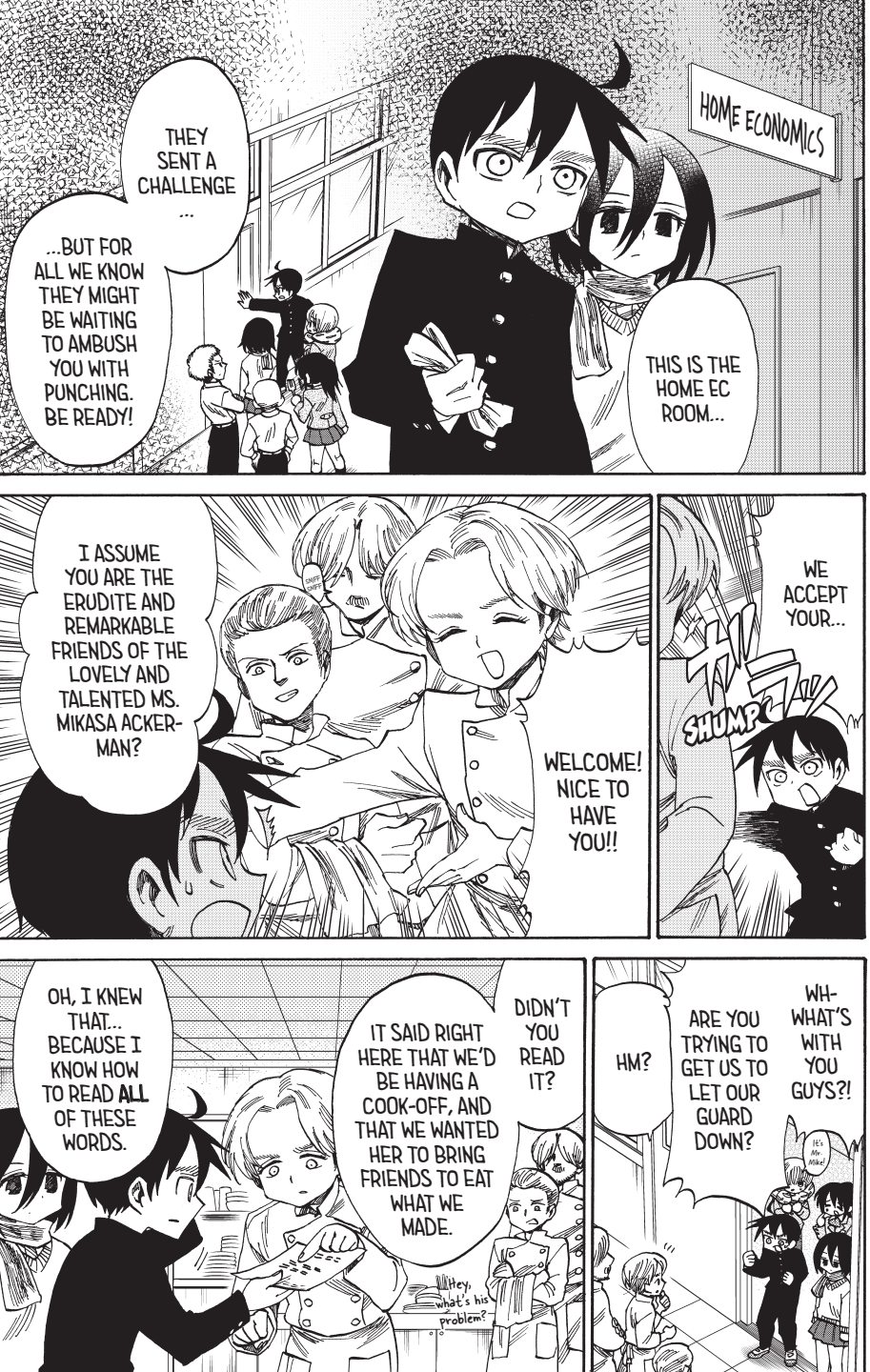
P.S. WE WILL BE HAVING A COOK-OFF, AND WE'D LIKE YOU TO PARTICIPATE. PLEASE BRING FRIENDS WITH YOU.

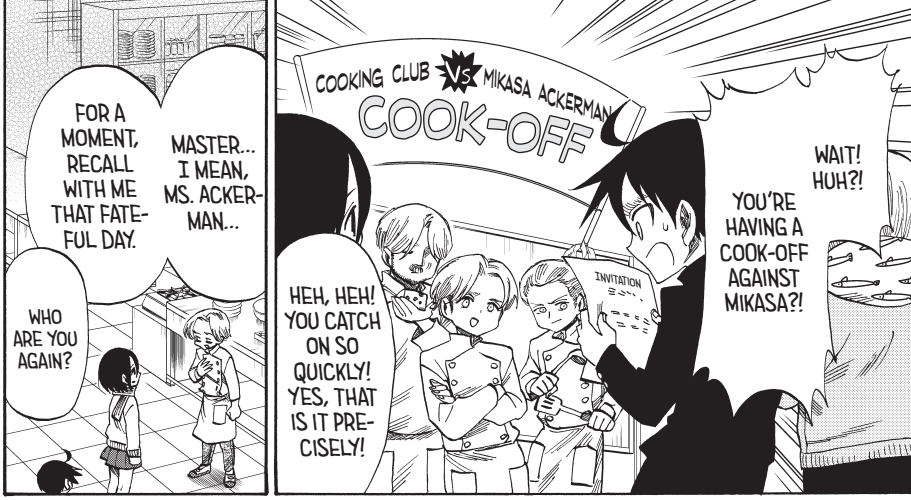
MS. MIKASA ACKERMAN, YOU WILL BE EXPECTED IN THE HOME ECONOMICS ROOM AFTER SCHOOL.

THIS IS...

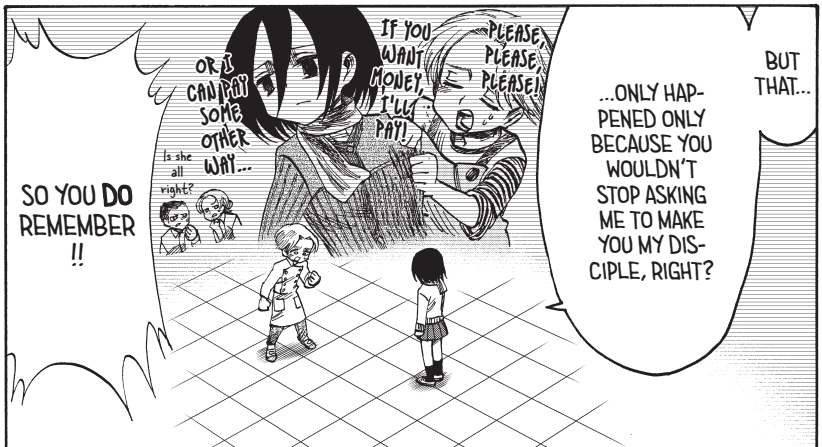
...A PIECE OF PAPER!! WITH WRITING ON IT!!

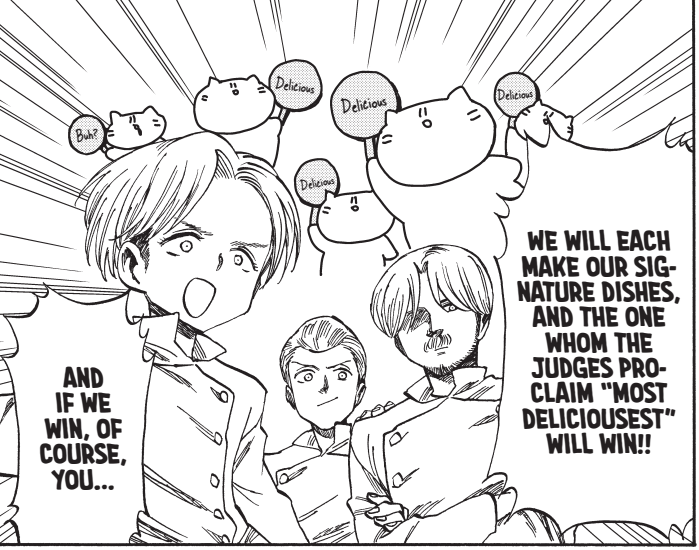
Very perceptive, Eren.


HOME ECONOMICS
THIS IS THE HOME EC ROOM...
THEY SENT A CHALLENGE ...
...BUT FOR ALL WE KNOW THEY MIGHT BE WAITING TO AMBUSH YOU WITH PUNCHING. BE READY!
WE ACCEPT YOUR...
SHUMP
WELCOME! NICE TO HAVE YOU!!
I ASSUME YOU ARE THE ERUDITE AND REMARKABLE FRIENDS OF THE LOVELY AND TALENTED MS. MIKASA ACKERMAN?
WH-WHAT'S WITH YOU GUYS?!
HM?
ARE YOU TRYING TO GET US TO LET OUR GUARD DOWN?
It's Mr. Mike!
DIDN'T YOU READ IT?
IT SAID RIGHT HERE THAT WE'D BE HAVING A COOK-OFF, AND THAT WE WANTED HER TO BRING FRIENDS TO EAT WHAT WE MADE.
Hey, what's his problem?
OH, I KNEW THAT... BECAUSE I KNOW HOW TO READ ALL OF THESE WORDS.


FOR A MOMENT, RECALL WITH ME THAT FATEFUL DAY.
MASTER... I MEAN, MS. ACKERMAN...
WHO ARE YOU AGAIN?
COOKING CLUB VS MIKASA ACKERMAN
COOK-OFF
INVITATION
HEH, HEH! YOU CATCH ON SO QUICKLY! YES, THAT IS IT PRECISELY!
WAIT! HUH?!
YOU'RE HAVING A COOK-OFF AGAINST MIKASA?!

AS CABLE TELEVISION TAUGHT US, CHEFS CAN ONLY RESOLVE THEIR DIFFERENCES WITH A COOKING CHALLENGE, SO HERE WE GO AGAIN!
...
What went on?
...AND SUDDENLY RUMORS FLEW THAT THE COOKING CLUB WASN'T ALL THAT GREAT ANYMORE!!
YOU CAME HERE AND COOKED UP THAT FABULOUS FRIED RICE...


SO YOU DO REMEMBER !!
Is she all right?
OR I CAN PAY SOME OTHER WAY...
IF YOU WANT MONEY, I'LL PAY!
PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE!
...ONLY HAPPENED ONLY BECAUSE YOU WOULDN'T STOP ASKING ME TO MAKE YOU MY DISCIPLE, RIGHT?
BUT THAT...

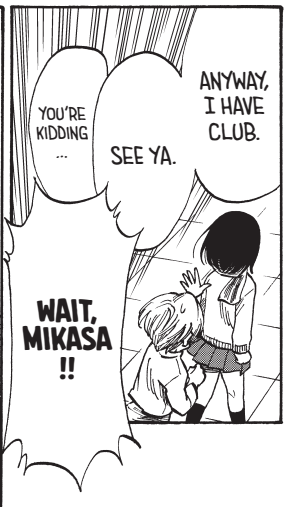

Buh?
Delicious
Delicious
Delicious
Delicious
AND IF WE WIN, OF COURSE, YOU...
WE WILL EACH MAKE OUR SIGNATURE DISHES, AND THE ONE WHOM THE JUDGES PROCLAIM "MOST DELICIOUSEST" WILL WIN!!

YES... WELL, IT MATTERS NOT!
HEH
YOU WILL TAKE UP OUR CHALLENGE!

I SUPPOSE I COULD BATTLE YOU, EXCEPT...
...I REALLY, REALLY DON'T CARE.

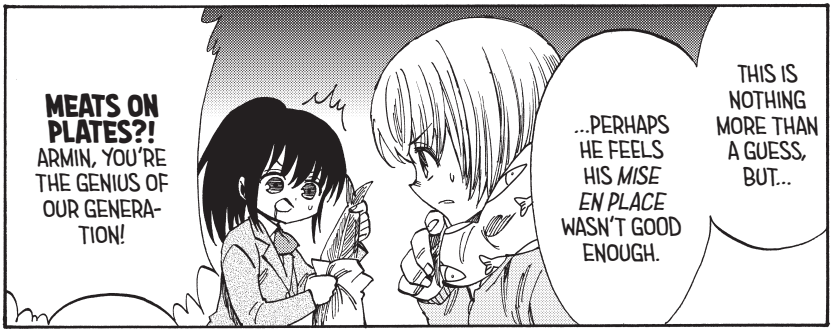
NOT INTERESTED.
REJECTED
WHA—?!

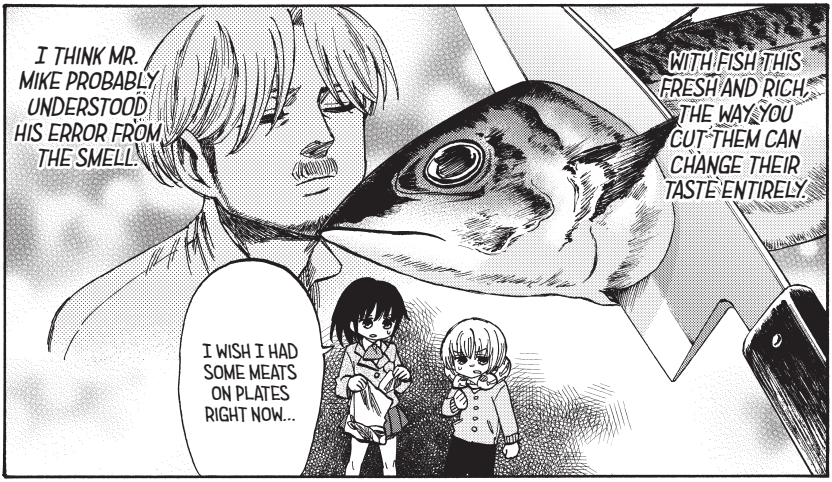
YOU HAVE TO TAKE ON THEIR CHALLENGE !!

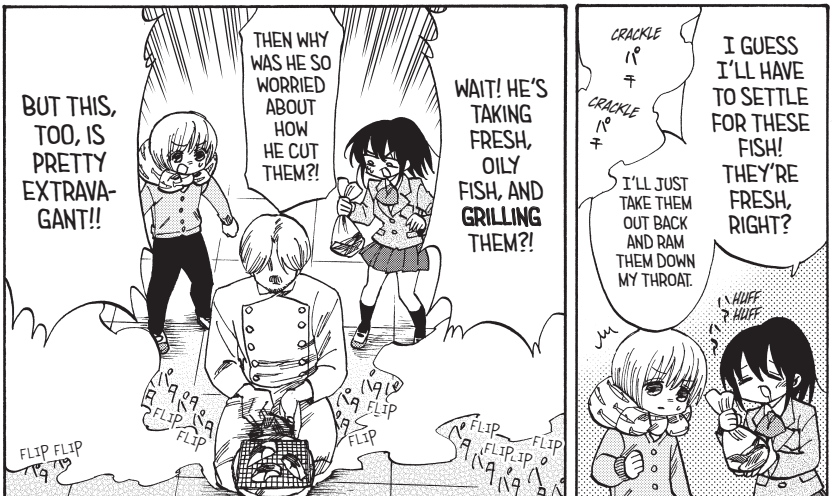

ANYWAY, I HAVE CLUB.
SEE YA.
YOU'RE KIDDING ...
WAIT, MIKASA !!

...
OH, FINE.
COOKING CLUB VS MIKASA ACKERMAN
COOK-OFF
Yeah, he's right!
I mean, they even designed a set!
LOOK AT ALL THE WORK THESE UPPER-CLASSMEN HAVE GONE TO!
IF YOU BLOW THEM OFF, THEY'LL LOOK REALLY PATHETIC!
I'LL DO YOUR STUPID SHOWDOWN THING.
ALL RIGHT!!
LET'S GET THE COOKING STARTED!
ARE YOU READY, MIKE? GELGAR?
GIVE IT YOUR BEST, MIKASA!
...
EREN...
SEEING YOU SO EXCITED ABOUT MY FOOD MAKES ME HAPPIER THAN A CAT KNOCKING OVER A GLASS...
AND WITH EVERYONE ACTING ON THEIR OWN MOTIVA-TIONS, THE COOK-OFF BEGAN.

GRAB
FLOP
FLOP
SLICE
SLICE
SLICE
THESE... ARE NO GOOD.
EHH?!
HOW DARE YOU?! THEY LOOK SO AMAZING YOU SHOULD BE GLAD I HAVEN'T STOLEN THEM ALREADY!
WHAT COULD BE WRONG WITH THEM?
...
PANT PANT
What a waste!


MEATS ON PLATES?!
ARMIN, YOU'RE THE GENIUS OF OUR GENERATION!
...PERHAPS HE FEELS HIS *MISE EN PLACE* WASN'T GOOD ENOUGH.
THIS IS NOTHING MORE THAN A GUESS, BUT...


I THINK MR. MIKE PROBABLY UNDERSTOOD HIS ERROR FROM THE SMELL.
WITH FISH THIS FRESH AND RICH, THE WAY YOU CUT THEM CAN CHANGE THEIR TASTE ENTIRELY.
I WISH I HAD SOME MEATS ON PLATES RIGHT NOW...


BUT THIS, TOO, IS PRETTY EXTRAVAGANT!!
THEN WHY WAS HE SO WORRIED ABOUT HOW HE CUT THEM?!
WAIT! HE'S TAKING FRESH, OILY FISH, AND **GRILLING** THEM?!
FLIP FLIP
FLIP
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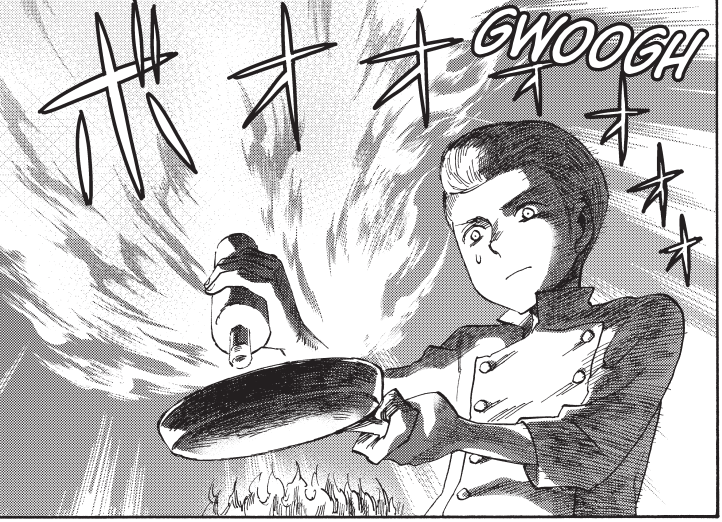
FLIP
FLIP
CRACKLE
CRACKLE
I'LL JUST TAKE THEM OUT BACK AND RAM THEM DOWN MY THROAT.
I GUESS I'LL HAVE TO SETTLE FOR THESE FISH! THEY'RE FRESH, RIGHT?
HUFF HUFF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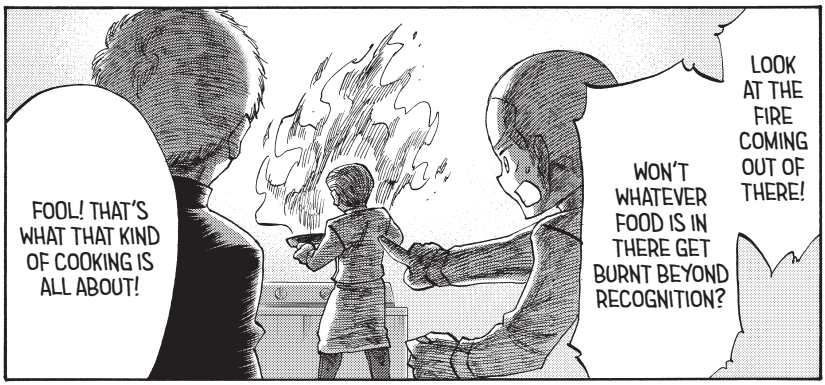
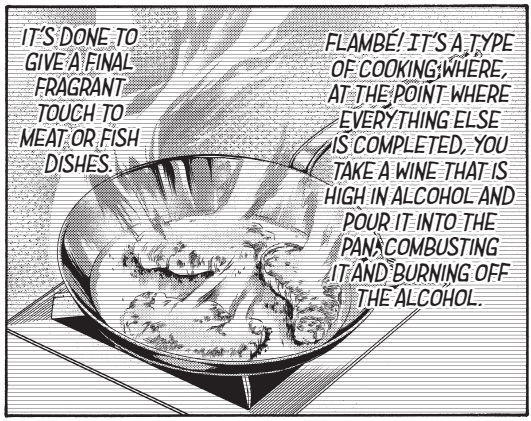
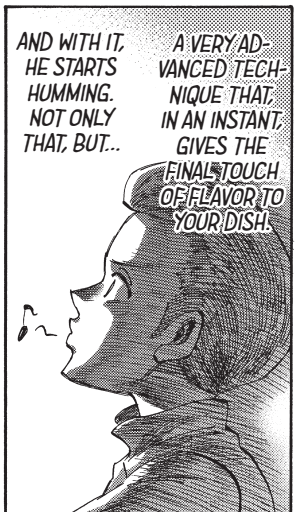

LOOK AT THE FIRE COMING OUT OF THERE!
WON'T WHATEVER FOOD IS IN THERE GET BURNT BEYOND RECOGNITION?
FOOL! THAT'S WHAT THAT KIND OF COOKING IS ALL ABOUT!


FLAMBÉ! IT'S A TYPE OF COOKING WHERE, AT THE POINT WHERE EVERYTHING ELSE IS COMPLETED, YOU TAKE A WINE THAT IS HIGH IN ALCOHOL AND POUR IT INTO THE PAN, COMBUSTING IT AND BURNING OFF THE ALCOHOL.
IT'S DONE TO GIVE A FINAL FRAGRANT TOUCH TO MEAT OR FISH DISHES.


A VERY ADVANCED TECHNIQUE THAT, IN AN INSTANT, GIVES THE FINAL TOUCH OF FLAVOR TO YOUR DISH.
AND WITH IT, HE STARTS HUMMING. NOT ONLY THAT, BUT...

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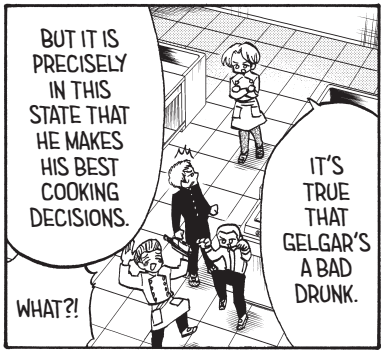
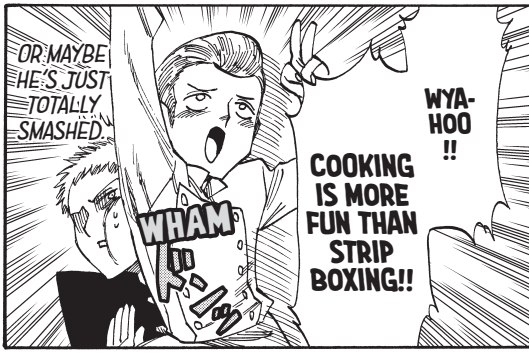
...HE'S DOING IT WHILE CHUGGING THE WINE?!
BWOOOGH


BUT IT IS PRECISELY IN THIS STATE THAT HE MAKES HIS BEST COOKING DECISIONS.
IT'S TRUE THAT GELGAR'S A BAD DRUNK.
WHAT?!


OR MAYBE HE'S JUST TOTALLY SMASHED.
WHAM
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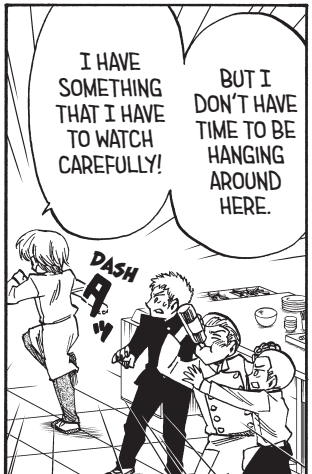
WYA-HOO !!
COOKING IS MORE FUN THAN STRIP BOXING!!


I HAVE SOMETHING THAT I HAVE TO WATCH CAREFULLY!
BUT I DON'T HAVE TIME TO BE HANGING AROUND HERE.
DASH
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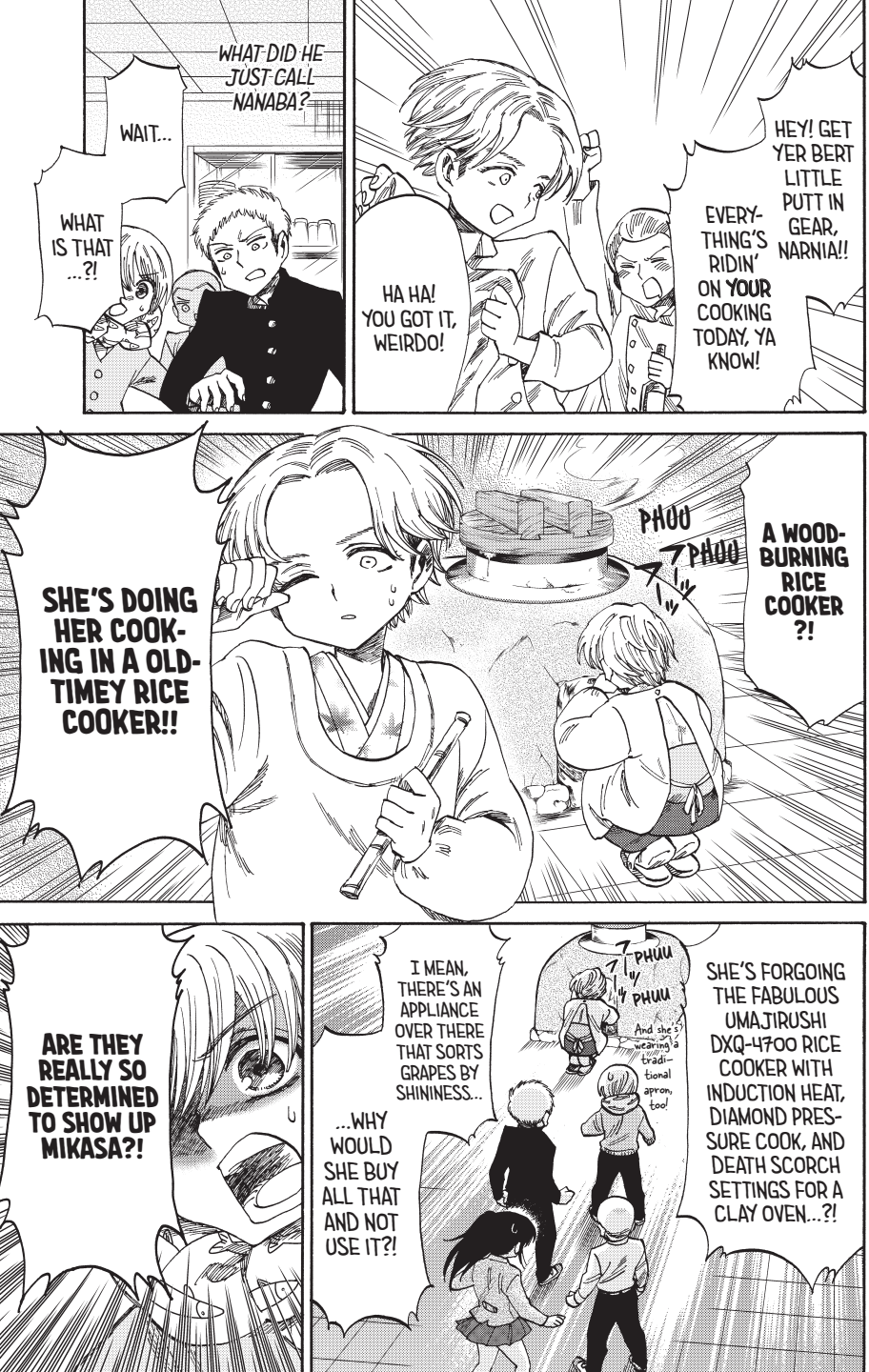
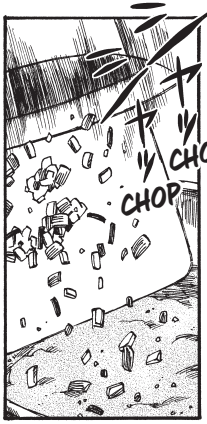
USUALLY, WE STOP HIM, BUT TODAY IS SPECIAL.
GRAB
LIKE COMEDIANS OR BEAT POETS, HIS TRUE TALENT ONLY EMERGES WHEN HE'S COMPLETELY TORE UP...
I LOVE YOU GUYS SO MUCH! ROCK AND ROLL! GRRRRRGL
FARG YEAH!
HERE, HAVE ANOTHER!


WHAT DID HE JUST CALL NANABA?
WAIT...
WHAT IS THAT ...?!
HEY! GET YER BERT LITTLE PUTT IN GEAR, NARNIA!!
EVERY-THING'S RIDIN' ON YOUR COOKING TODAY, YA KNOW!
HA HA! YOU GOT IT, WEIRDO!
PHUU
PHUU
A WOOD-BURNING RICE COOKER ?!
SHE'S DOING HER COOK-ING IN A OLD-TIMEY RICE COOKER!!
ARE THEY REALLY SO DETERMINED TO SHOW UP MIKASA?!
I MEAN, THERE'S AN APPLIANCE OVER THERE THAT SORTS GRAPES BY SHININESS...
...WHY WOULD SHE BUY ALL THAT AND NOT USE IT?!
PHUU
PHUU
And she's wearing a tradi-tional apron, too!
SHE'S FORGOING THE FABULOUS UMAJIRUSHI DXQ-4700 RICE COOKER WITH INDUCTION HEAT, DIAMOND PRES-SURE COOK, AND DEATH SCORCH SETTINGS FOR A CLAY OVEN...?!

KACLICK

MIX
MIX


CHOP
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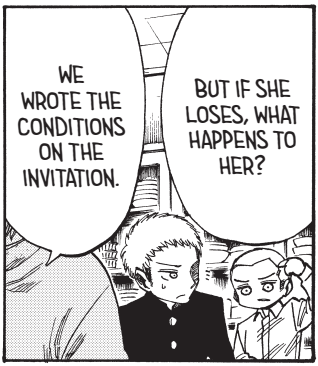
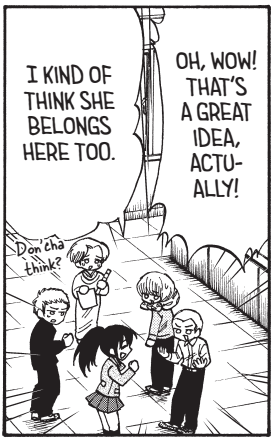

WE WROTE THE CONDITIONS ON THE INVITATION.
BUT IF SHE LOSES, WHAT HAPPENS TO HER?

HUH?! I NEVER THOUGHT I'D HEAR YOU SAY THAT, SASHA!!
I DON'T THINK EVEN MIKASA CAN BEAT THEM THIS WAY...
ALSO, YOUR STOMACH IS TRYING TO ESCAPE AGAIN.
GRGL GRGL GRGL GRGL


I KIND OF THINK SHE BELONGS HERE TOO.
OH, WOW! THAT'S A GREAT IDEA, ACTU-ALLY!
Don'cha think?

WHAT ?!
FLIP
CLUB TRANSFER REQUEST
CLUB
YEAR CLASS
IF WE WIN, THEN SHE MUST TRANSFER FROM HER PRESENT CLUB INTO THE COOKING CLUB!!

...AND THAT'S EREN.
AFTER ALL, THERE'S ONE PERSON WHO ISN'T IN THE COOKING CLUB...
...BUT I'M SURE THAT MIKASA WILL OBJECT.
I SUPPOSE THAT'S FOR THE BEST...
...
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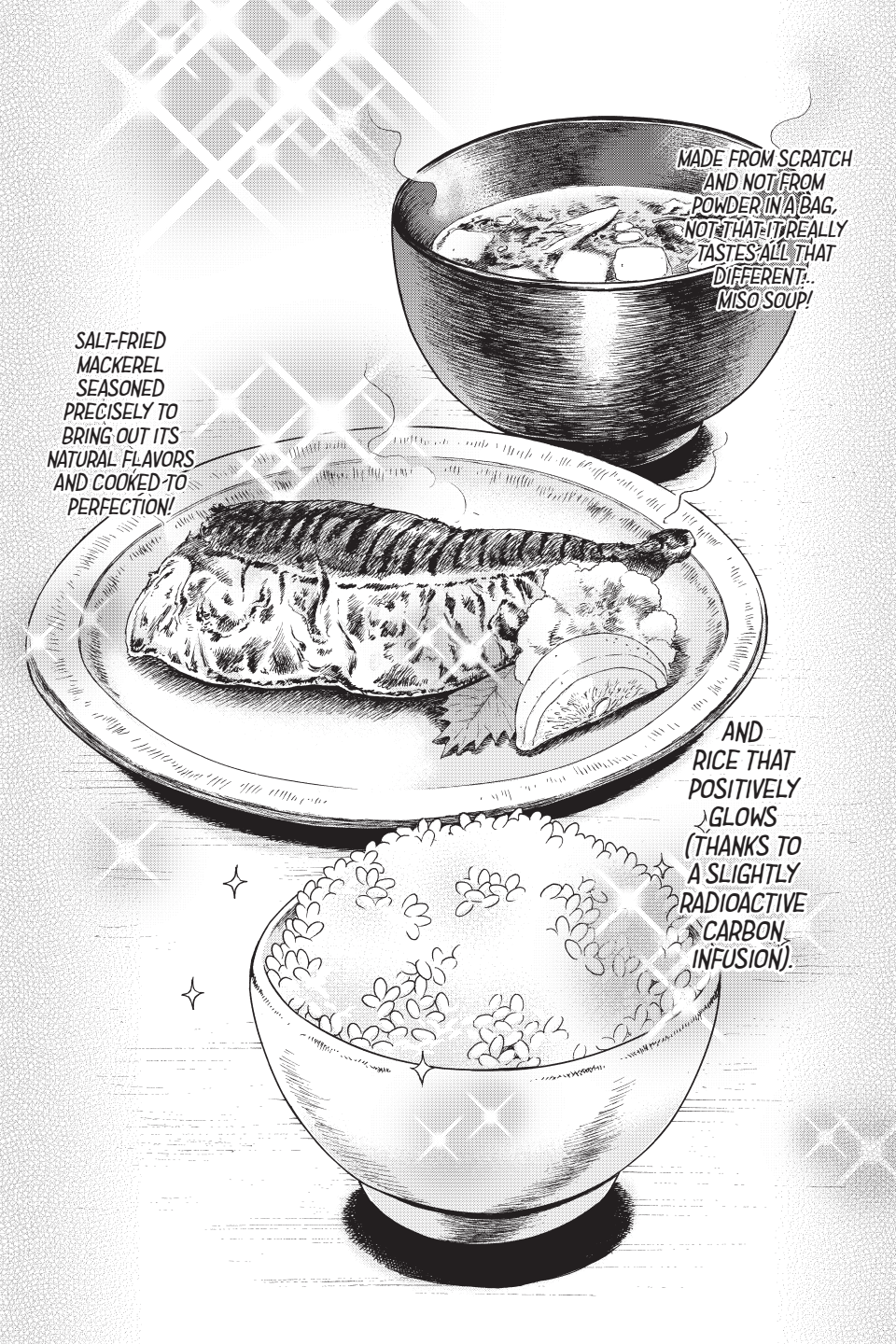
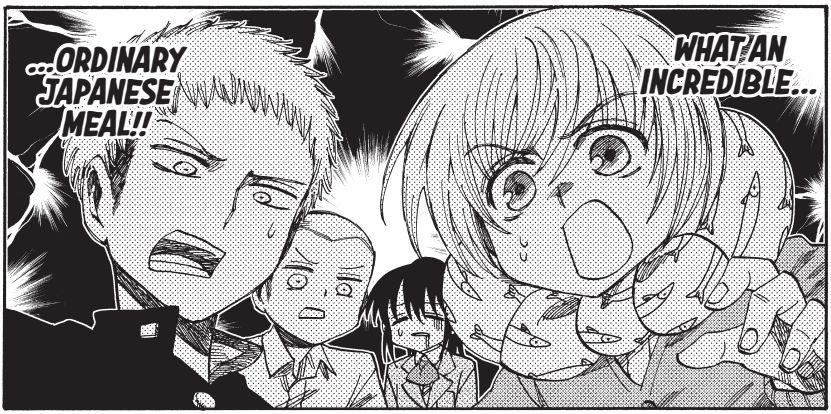
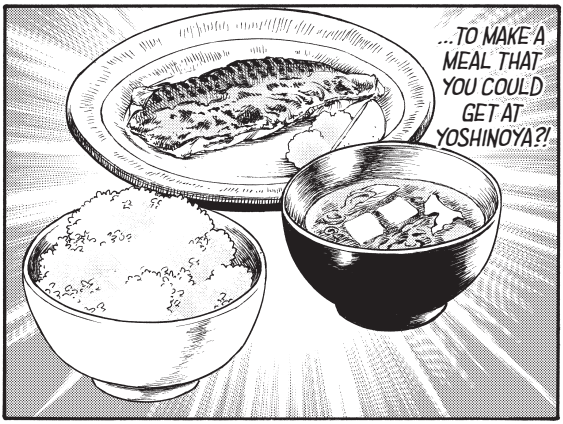
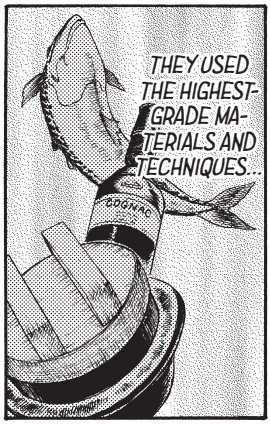
POP
GLEEEEM
HEH HEH... THIS COOKING WINE TASTES LIKE SUNBAKED HOBO URINE!
RIGHT...
WHAT COULD THEY HAVE MADE?!
THIS WILL BE...
...A NEW PAGE IN THE EPIC HISTORY OF THE ATTACK JR. HIGH COOKING CLUB!!
IT'S GLOWING... A-ARE WE SURE THAT RICE COOKER WON'T MELT OUR FACES OFF...?!
IT'S PERFECT.

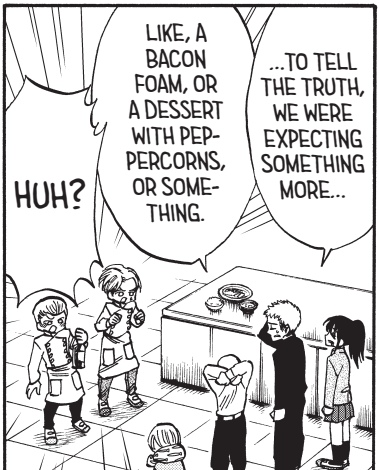

MADE FROM SCRATCH AND NOT FROM POWDER IN A BAG, NOT THAT IT REALLY TASTES ALL THAT DIFFERENT... MISO SOUP!
SALT-FRIED MACKEREL SEASONED PRECISELY TO BRING OUT ITS NATURAL FLAVORS AND COOKED TO PERFECTION!
AND RICE THAT POSITIVELY GLOWS (THANKS TO A SLIGHTLY RADIOACTIVE CARBON INFUSION).

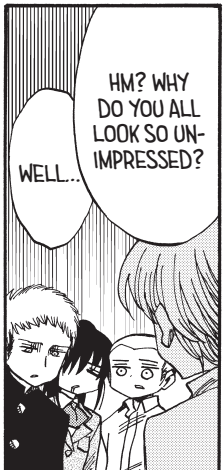

...ORDINARY JAPANESE MEAL!!
WHAT AN INCREDIBLE...


...TO MAKE A MEAL THAT YOU COULD GET AT YOSHINOYA?!


THEY USED THE HIGHEST-GRADE MATERIALS AND TECHNIQUES...
COGNAC

WHOOSH


HUH?
LIKE, A BACON FOAM, OR A DESSERT WITH PEPPERCORNS, OR SOMETHING.
...TO TELL THE TRUTH, WE WERE EXPECTING SOMETHING MORE...


HM? WHY DO YOU ALL LOOK SO UNIMPRESSED?
WELL...

FINISHED.
OHH!! MIKASA'S FINISHED HER DISH NOW!
AND IT'S ON A PLATE!
Very good, Connie.
YAAAY! BEEF!
THIS IS THE ONLY THING FOR A COOK-OFF!
...WE WILL WIN... WE'VE ALREADY WON!!
GRIMP
THERE IS NO WAY SHE CAN BEAT OUR KILLER COURSE!!
CHEESE MEATLOAF. OF COURSE! JUST WHAT A JUNIOR HIGH STUDENT WOULD WANT.
BUT...

GOD YESSSS
VERY WELL...
EAT UP AND START THE JUDGING!
WE'LL START WITH MIKASA'S ENTRY...
DELICIOUS!
THIS CHEESE-LOAF IS GREAT!
MIKASA'S GENTLE FINGERS CARESSED THIS MEAT!
WOW! NOTHING CAN BEAT THIS!
COME TO THINK OF IT, MIKASA'S DIDN'T COME WITH RICE, DID IT?
NEXT IS THE STRIP MALL TERI-YAKI JOINT DINNER, HUH?
WELL, SINCE IT'S HERE, I'LL JUST HAVE SOME RICE...
GULP
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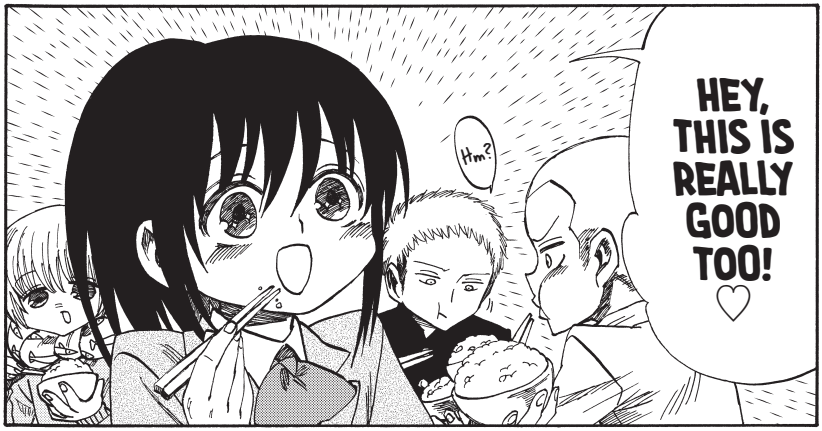
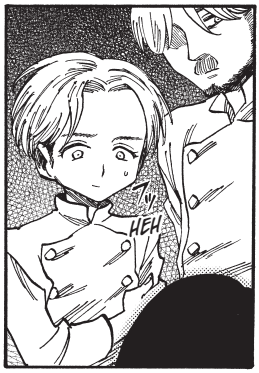
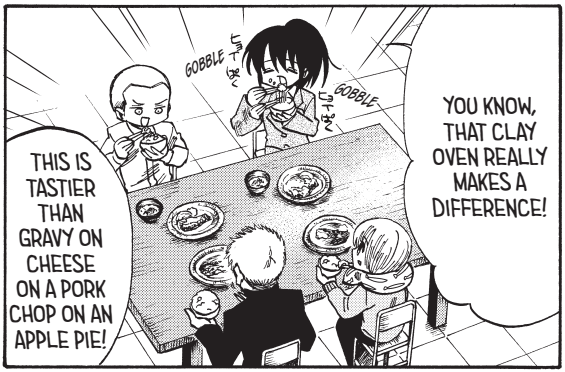
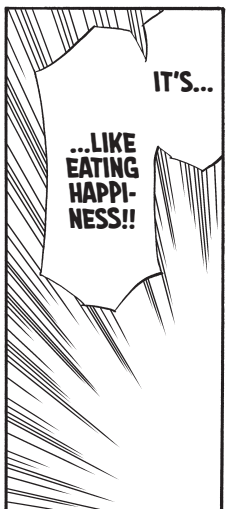
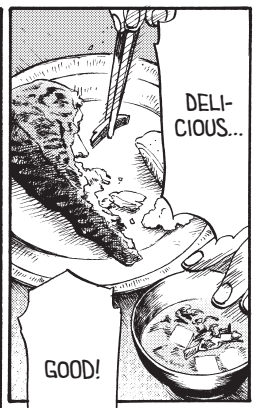
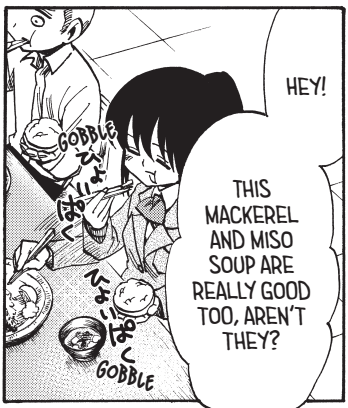

Hm?
HEY, THIS IS REALLY GOOD TOO!


HEH


GOBBLE
GOBBLE
YOU KNOW, THAT CLAY OVEN REALLY MAKES A DIFFERENCE!
THIS IS TASTIER THAN GRAVY ON CHEESE ON A PORK CHOP ON AN APPLE PIE!

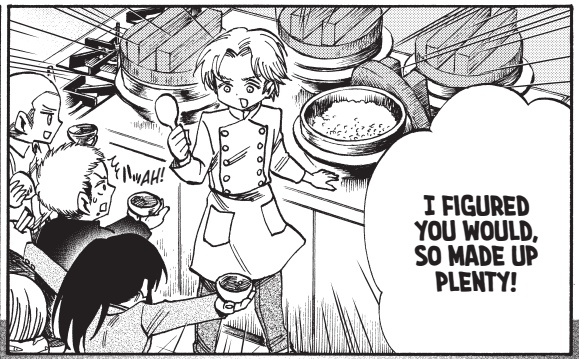

IT'S...
...LIKE EATING HAPPI-NESS!!


DELI-CIOUS...
GOOD!

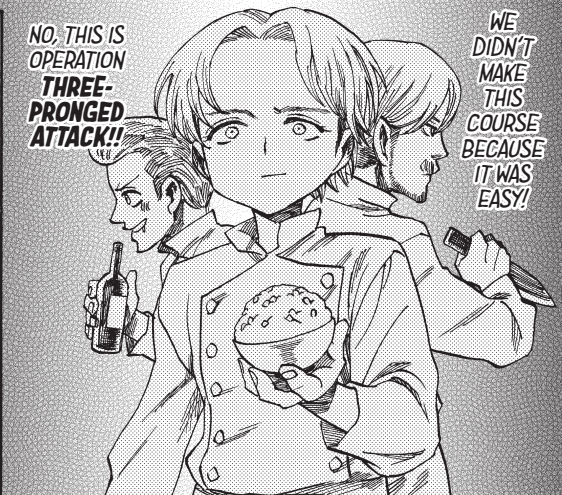

HEY!
THIS MACKEREL AND MISO SOUP ARE REALLY GOOD TOO, AREN'T THEY?
GOBBLE
GOBBLE

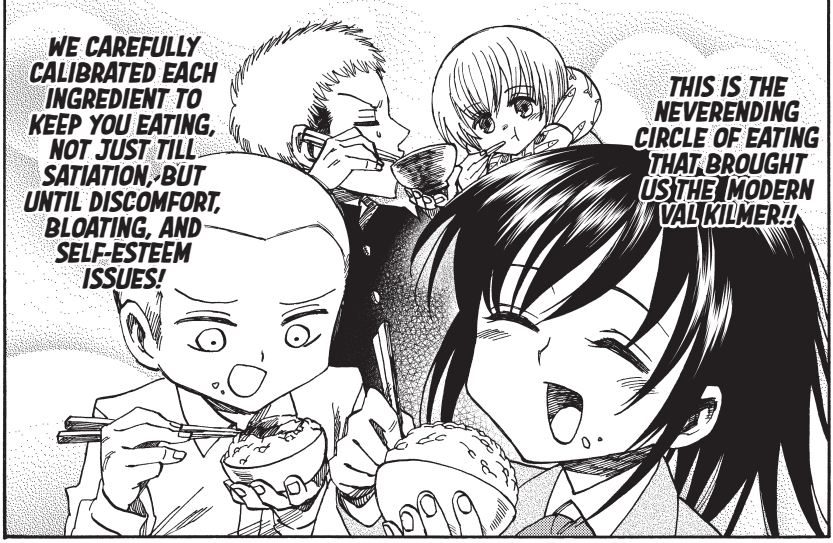
GAGOOOOM
WE DEMAND SECONDS !!
Please sir, I want some more

HAVE YOU ALREADY REALIZED, MIKASA?
...
Then get a move on!
No pushing!


I FIGURED YOU WOULD, SO MADE UP PLENTY!
WAH!

WITH THE FIRST TASTE OF RICE, YOU START HUNGERING FOR THE MISO SOUP AND THE MACKEREL.
THEN YOUR MOUTH YEARNS FOR RICE AGAIN IN A NEVER-ENDING LOOP!

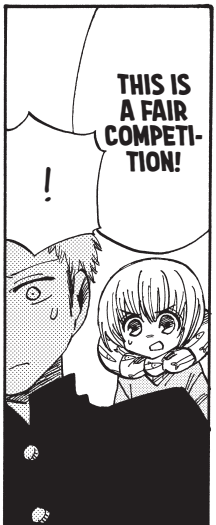

NO, THIS IS OPERATION THREE-PRONGED ATTACK!!
WE DIDN'T MAKE THIS COURSE BECAUSE IT WAS EASY!


WE CAREFULLY CALIBRATED EACH INGREDIENT TO KEEP YOU EATING, NOT JUST TILL SATIATION, BUT UNTIL DISCOMFORT, BLOATING, AND SELF-ESTEEM ISSUES!
THIS IS THE NEVERENDING CIRCLE OF EATING THAT BROUGHT US THE MODERN VAL KILMER!!

I'M SORRY, MIKASA...
...BUT FOOD IS SERIOUS BUSINESS...

NOW, EVERYONE!!
MIKASA
COOKING CLUB
YOU WILL MARK YOUR VOTE BASED ON WHICH YOU THOUGHT MORE DELICIOUS!

AFTER BEING SERVED SUCH DELICIOUS FOOD...
...I THINK VOTING AGAINST YOUR OWN TASTE BUDS WOULD BE A CRIME!


THIS IS A FAIR COMPETITION!
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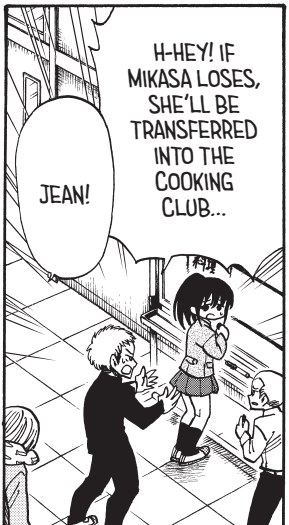
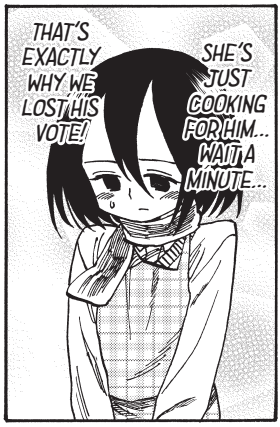

H-HEY! IF MIKASA LOSES, SHE'LL BE TRANSFERRED INTO THE COOKING CLUB...
JEAN!

MIKASA
COOKING CLUB
I'M... SORRY...
...MIKASA...
...THE WINNERS !!
WE ARE...
HEY! JUST HOLD YOUR HORSES A MINUTE!!
IT'S NOT OVER YET...
BUT...
A PROMISE IS A PROMISE!
NOW, MASTER!
AND SO, YOU WILL IMMEDIATELY TRANSFER TO OUR CLUB!

I DON'T SEE WHY MIKASA HAS TO LOSE THIS!!

WHAT ARE YOU STILL EATING CHEESE-LOAF FOR?!
YOU'RE THE WEIRD ONE!!

AS BOBBY FLAY SAID, IN THE BATTLE OF FOODS, CHEESELOAF ALWAYS WINS, SOMETHING SOMETHING NEW YORK!
I MEAN, JUST TASTE HOW GOOD THIS IS!!
THAAASSTYYY

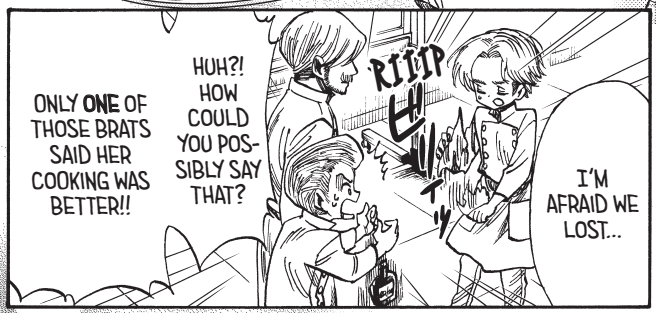

THAT'S EXACTLY WHY WE LOST HIS VOTE!
SHE'S JUST COOKING FOR HIM... WAIT A MINUTE...

NOW I SEE THE REAL PROBLEM HERE.
NOW YOU'RE MAKING ME JEALOUS !!
Huh?

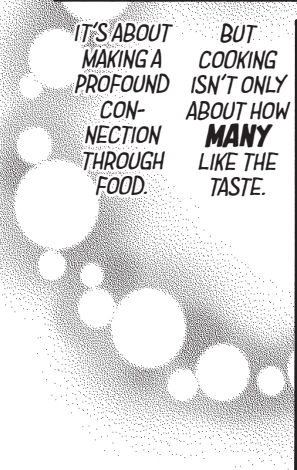
I'VE GOTTA KEEP EATING OR THEY'LL GET COLD!
WHY? BECAUSE MIKASA MADE TEN SERVINGS OF CHEESE-LOAF FOR ME!
THAAASSTYYY

MIKASA...
...THIS COMPETITION IS DECIDED BY A MAJORITY OF...
EVEN IF ONE PERSON SCREAMS HER PRAISE FROM THE ROOFTOPS...
THANK YOU.
YOU MAY HAVE LOST THE COMPETITION...
...BUT YOUR COOKING MOVED ME TO THE CORE OF MY BEING.
YEAH...
GET A ROOM!! NO, WAIT, DON'T DO THAT!! AAAAGH!!
HUH? OF COURSE I DON'T HAVE LEFTOVERS!
IF YOU HAVE LEFTOVERS, PASS THEM HERE!
I SEE...
THAT'S ONE THING I FORGOT...

...THAT PERSON'S HAPPINESS IS THE MOST IMPORTANT PART OF COOKING.
WHEN YOU MAKE A DISH WITH ONLY ONE PERSON IN MIND...


ONLY ONE OF THOSE BRATS SAID HER COOKING WAS BETTER!!
HUH?! HOW COULD YOU POSSIBLY SAY THAT?
RIIIP
I'M AFRAID WE LOST...

MIKE, GELGAR...
HIC


IT'S ABOUT MAKING A PROFOUND CONNECTION THROUGH FOOD.
BUT COOKING ISN'T ONLY ABOUT HOW MANY LIKE THE TASTE.

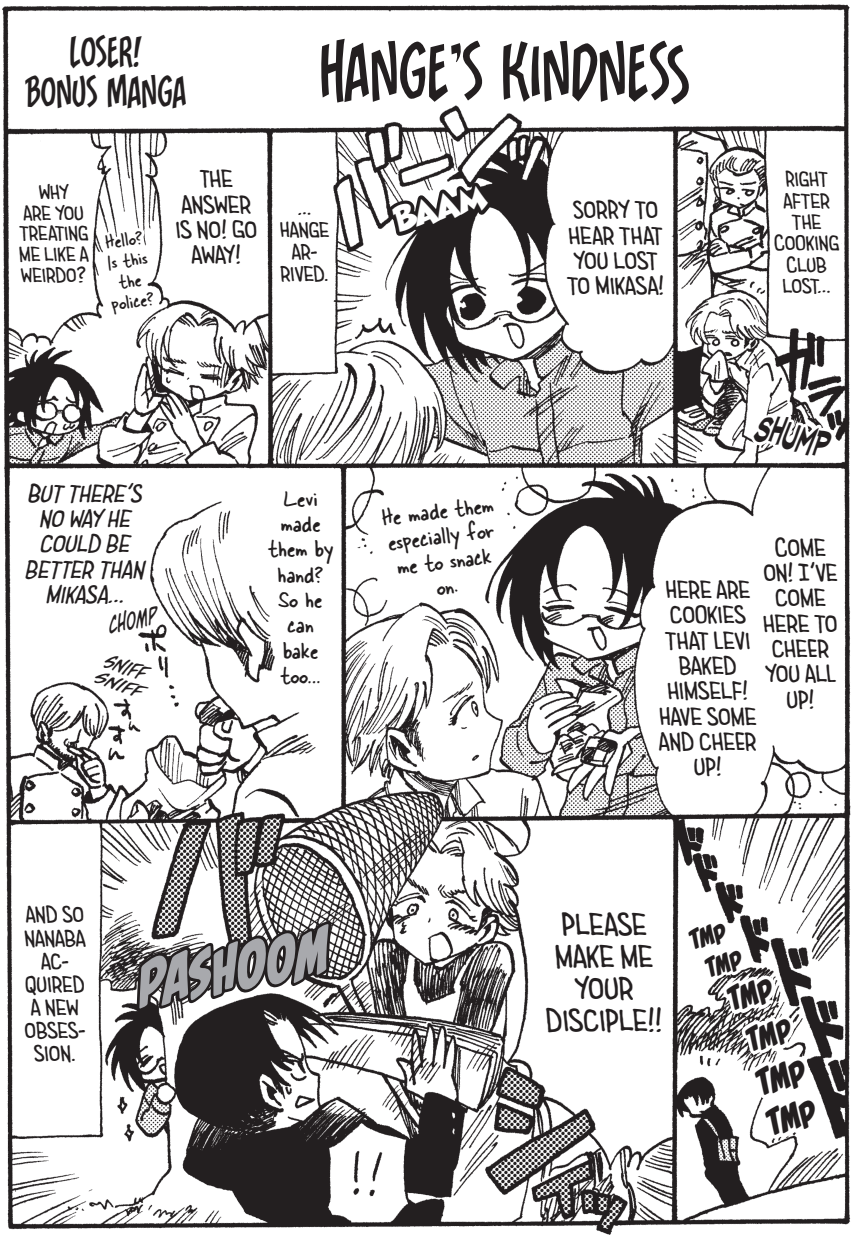
WE WERE ONLY THINKING OF WINNING THE COMPETITION.
MIKE...
I SEE...
IF YOU SAY SO, THEN THAT'S HOW IT MUST BE.
NO!! THIS IS STUPID!! WHY?!

HEY, THIS STUFF'S GOOD TOO!!
THAT IS WHAT THE MASTER AND HER FRIEND TAUGHT ME THIS DAY.

WHAT'S MORE IMPORTANT IN COOKING THAN THE TASTE?!
THEY'RE BOTH REALLY TASTY!! SO WHAT DO YOU EXPECT?!

YEAH, BUT SO WHAT?
EREN, YOU JERK! YOU WERE JUST SINGING THE PRAISES OF MIKASA'S COOKING!

HAVE EREN TRANSFER INTO THE COOKING CLUB TOO.
Come to think of it... WHAT DID YOU INTEND TO DO IF YOU LOST?
YES.
IN THE END, A WINNER WAS NEVER DECIDED UPON.
They're both really good!
THEN WHY DID WE LOSE?!
WHEN HE PUTS IT THAT WAY, IT'S HARD TO DISAGREE...


LOSER! BONUS MANGA
HANGE'S KINDNESS
WHY ARE YOU TREATING ME LIKE A WEIRDO?
Hello? Is this the police?
THE ANSWER IS NO! GO AWAY!
... HANGE ARRIVED.
BAAM
SORRY TO HEAR THAT YOU LOST TO MIKASA!
RIGHT AFTER THE COOKING CLUB LOST...
SHUMP
BUT THERE'S NO WAY HE COULD BE BETTER THAN MIKASA...
CHOMP
SNIFF SNIFF
Levi made them by hand? So he can bake too...
He made them especially for me to snack on.
HERE ARE COOKIES THAT LEVI BAKED HIMSELF! HAVE SOME AND CHEER UP!
COME ON! I'VE COME HERE TO CHEER YOU ALL UP!
AND SO NANABA ACQUIRED A NEW OBSESSION.
PASHOOM
PLEASE MAKE ME YOUR DISCIPLE!!
TMP
TMP
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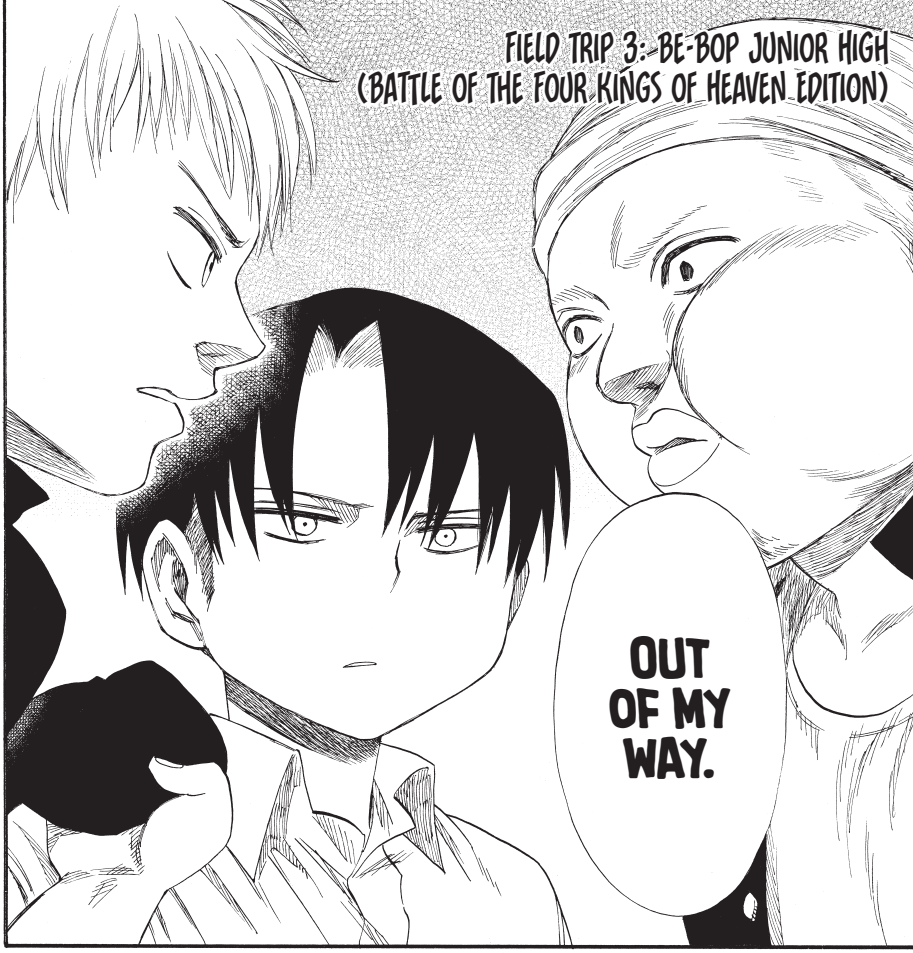
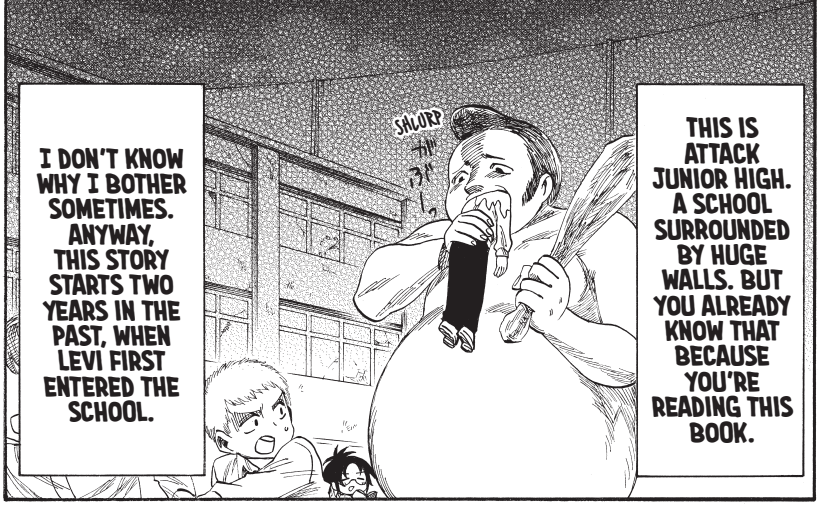
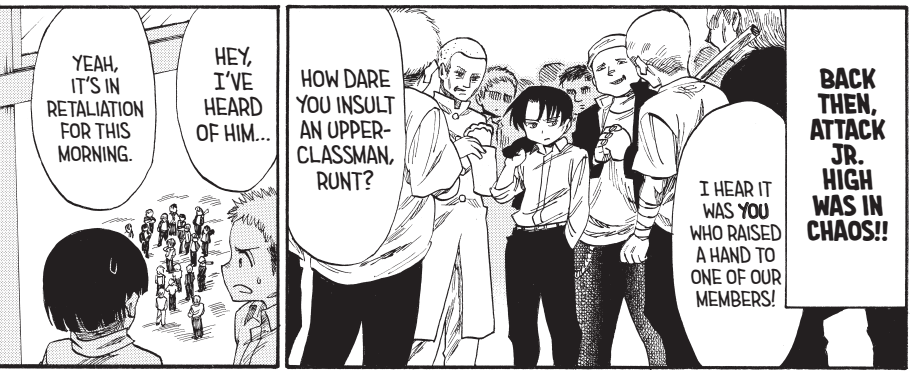
TMP

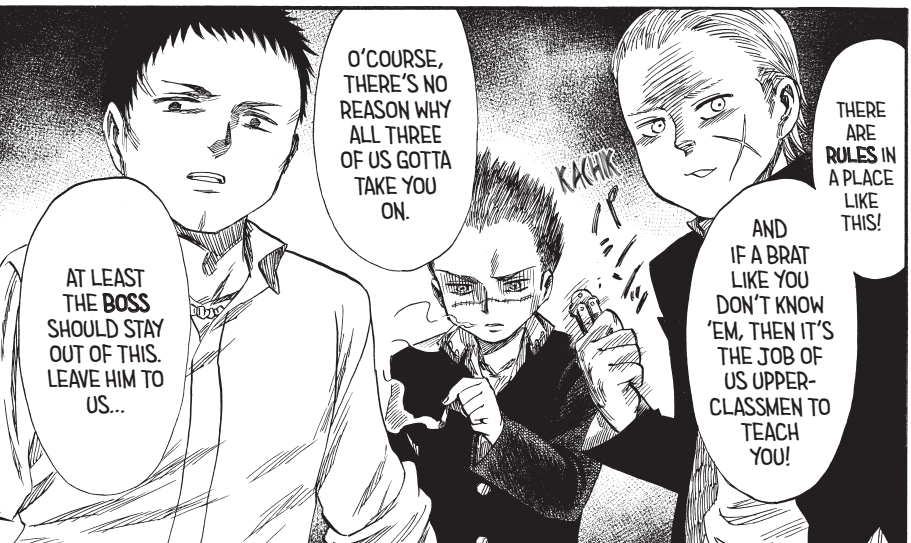
THERE WAS ONCE A NEST OF EVIL WHERE TITANS AND PUNKS RULED! ATTACK JUNIOR HIGH!
YEAH...
I THOUGHT HE WAS GOING SOME-WHERE ELSE!
YOU'RE SAYING THAT GUY'S GOING TO START SCHOOL HERE?
WHAT ?!
A SIXTH GRADER AT THE SAME SCHOOL.
A FOURTH GRADER TOOK ON A SIXTH GRADER?!
SLURP
SO WHO WAS HE FIGHT-ING THAT TIME?
FOURTH GRADE ?!
WHEN WE WERE IN FOURTH GRADE!
I'M FROM HIS HOMETOWN. HE WAS REAL BAD BACK THERE. HE BEAT UP ONE GUY JUST TO PROVE HE COULD!
HEY!
SO EVERYBODY, BE CAREFUL OF THIS LEVI GUY...
...MAY HAVE GOTTEN HIS GROWTH SPURT, AND COULD BE REALLY TALL BY NOW.
BUT AFTER HE STARTED JUNIOR HIGH, HE...
IT'S WORSE THAN THAT. AT THE TIME, THE GUY WAS A RUNT!


OUT OF MY WAY.

HUH ?!
WHAT'S THAT, YOU LITTLE RUNT ?!
TWITCH


I DON'T KNOW WHY I BOTHER SOMETIMES. ANYWAY, THIS STORY STARTS TWO YEARS IN THE PAST, WHEN LEVI FIRST ENTERED THE SCHOOL.
SHLURP
THIS IS ATTACK JUNIOR HIGH. A SCHOOL SURROUNDED BY HUGE WALLS. BUT YOU ALREADY KNOW THAT BECAUSE YOU'RE READING THIS BOOK.


YEAH, IT'S IN RETALIATION FOR THIS MORNING.
HEY, I'VE HEARD OF HIM...
HOW DARE YOU INSULT AN UPPER-CLASSMAN, RUNT?
I HEAR IT WAS YOU WHO RAISED A HAND TO ONE OF OUR MEMBERS!
BACK THEN, ATTACK JR. HIGH WAS IN CHAOS!!


AT LEAST THE BOSS SHOULD STAY OUT OF THIS. LEAVE HIM TO US...
O'COURSE, THERE'S NO REASON WHY ALL THREE OF US GOTTA TAKE YOU ON.
KACHIK
THERE ARE RULES IN A PLACE LIKE THIS!
AND IF A BRAT LIKE YOU DON'T KNOW 'EM, THEN IT'S THE JOB OF US UPPER-CLASSMEN TO TEACH YOU!

I'LL START BY USING THE ALUMINUM BAT THAT'S BEEN HANDED DOWN THROUGH THE GROUP'S BEST FIGHTERS...
HUNDRED BALLSACK BLUDGEON BAT
SAY HELLO TO MY LITTLE FRIEND, THE HUNDRED BALLSACK BLUDGEON BAT!!
AND HIS FIRST OPPONENT IS THE GROUP'S NO. 3 MOST VIOLENT MAN...!!
POOR FIRST YEAR! NOBODY WHO EVER FACED HUNDRED BALLSACK BLUDGEON BAT...
...HAS EVER COME OUT OF IT WITH GIBLETS INTACT!
DWHAM
TSK! HE WAS NEVER ANY HELP!!
NOW YOU'LL SEE THE WORK OF MY KNIFE, THE JOHNSON JABBER !!
ZWACHIK
AND NOW HE'S UP AGAINST NO. 2... THE ONE WHOSE SERVES UP HIS WIENERS SLICED...!
WE NEVER HEARD FROM THAT POOR TEACHER AGAIN...!!
THAT FIRST YEAR IS A GONER...

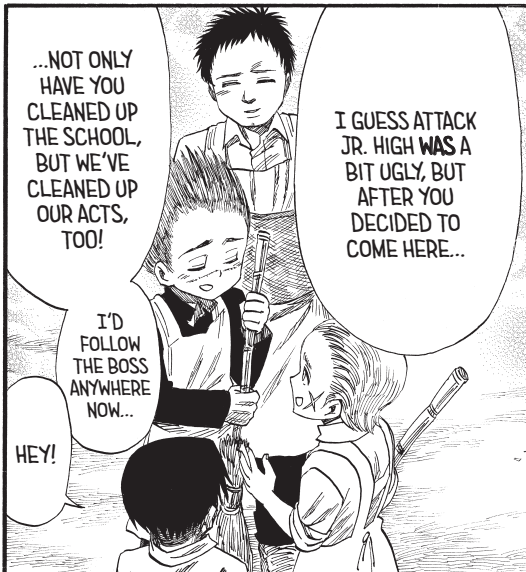
HEY..!
D-DWOOOM
ドドォォォン
I HEARD THERE WAS A SCHOOL THAT WAS A REAL CESSPOOL, SO I CAME TO CHECK IT OUT...
...BUT NOW I SEE WHAT AN INSULT THAT WAS TO ACTUAL CESSPOOLS.
SO ARE YOU LIKE THEM, OR WILL I ACTUALLY WORK UP A SWEAT ON YOU?
TH-THIS GUY ISN'T LIKE THE REST...
HE'S BAD TO THE BONE..!!
WELL, IF THAT'S WHAT HE WANTS...
FLIP
THAT'S THE ONLY REASON HE CAME TO OUR TURF TO PICK A FIGHT WITH US..!!
HE'S THAT TYPE I'VE HEARD OF... THE GAME PROTGONIST! HE GETS OFF ON FIGHTING SOMEBODY STRONGER THAN THE LAST GUY!!

...THE ONLY THING I CAN DO IS RELEASE MY TRUE POWER!!
WHOOSH
...WELL, THEN...
HIS POWER AND HIS RESOLVE SEEM TO BE ON A PAR WITH THE BOSS!!
AND IT ALSO MEANS THAT FIRST YEAR HAS REALLY GOT HIM SWEATING!!
SO IF HE TAKES IT OFF, IT CAN ONLY MEAN THAT HE'S TAKING THIS CHALLENGE SERIOUSLY !!
THAT LONG UNIFORM COAT OF HIS WEIGHS OVER 20 KILOS!!
HM?
UWAAAHHH!!
...ONLY ONE OF THEM WILL EMERGE FROM THIS BATTLE WITH FULLY ATTACHED GENITALIA!!
WITHOUT A DOUBT...

...
D-D-DWOOOM
CLOWN
YOU WIN...
FROM TODAY ON...
...YOU'RE THE BOSS ...
I GET IT... THAT'S THE WHOLE REASON WHY THIS GUY TRANSFERRED IN THE FIRST PLACE...
HE WANTED TO CONTROL THE WHOLE GANG...
BUT THAT WILL JUST LEAD TO A NEVER-ENDING CYCLE OF REPRISALS, AND ATTACK JR. HIGH WILL JUST BECOME MORE AND MORE VIOLENT...!!
SEVERAL DAYS LATER ...
MORNIN' MR. LEVI!!

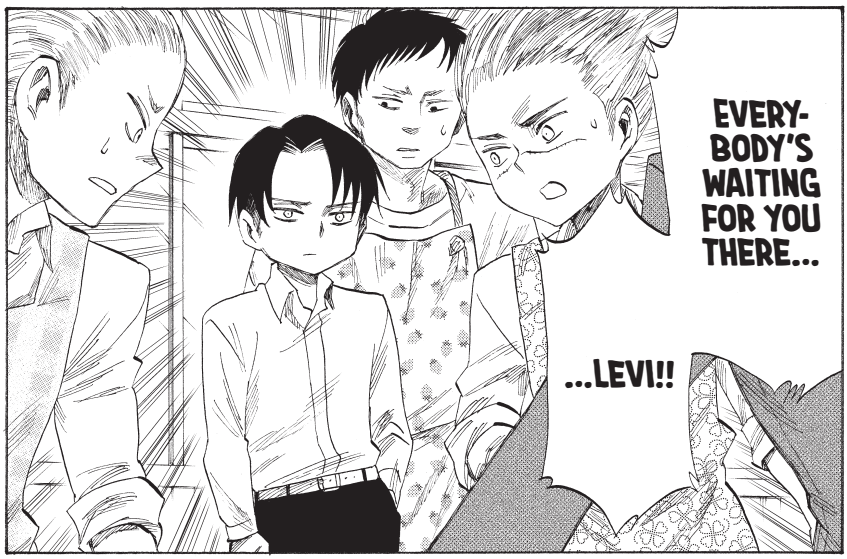
TODAY LOOKS LIKE ANOTHER LOVELY DAY, DOESN'T IT?!

ATTACK JR. HIGH CHANGED FROM A ROTTEN, VIOLENT PLACE TO A BEAUTIFUL, CLEAN, VIOLENT PLACE.
YOU STILL HAVEN'T CLEANED THE TOILETS, YOU WORTHLESS CURS!!
EEEE!!
THWAK
THWAK


I GUESS ATTACK JR. HIGH WAS A BIT UGLY, BUT AFTER YOU DECIDED TO COME HERE...
...NOT ONLY HAVE YOU CLEANED UP THE SCHOOL, BUT WE'VE CLEANED UP OUR ACTS, TOO!
I'D FOLLOW THE BOSS ANYWHERE NOW...
HEY!

FIELD TRIP 4: THE BOSS IS NO WEAKLING

TUMP
EYAAAHHHH!!
CRAAAAASH
JESUS CHRIST!! HOW ARE YOU NOT COVERED IN CUTS AND BRUISES ?!
BOSS, WE'VE COME FOR YOU!!
WAIT, THOSE UNI-FORMS...
THEY CALLED HIM, "BOSS." WHO ARE THEY?!
WH-WHO ARE THESE JERKS...?!



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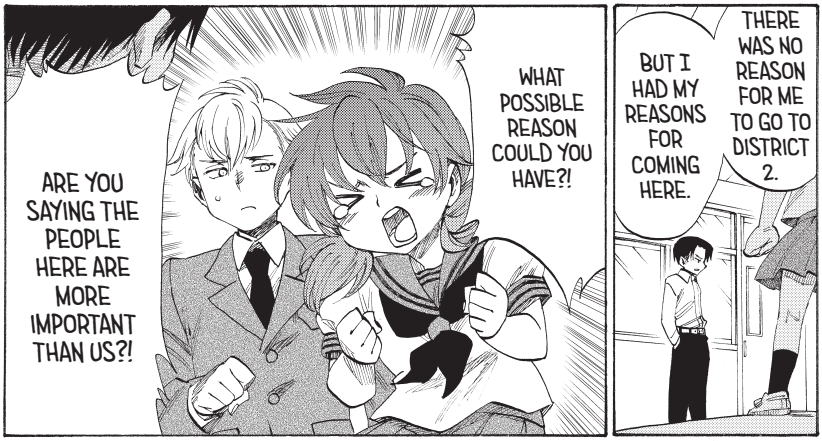
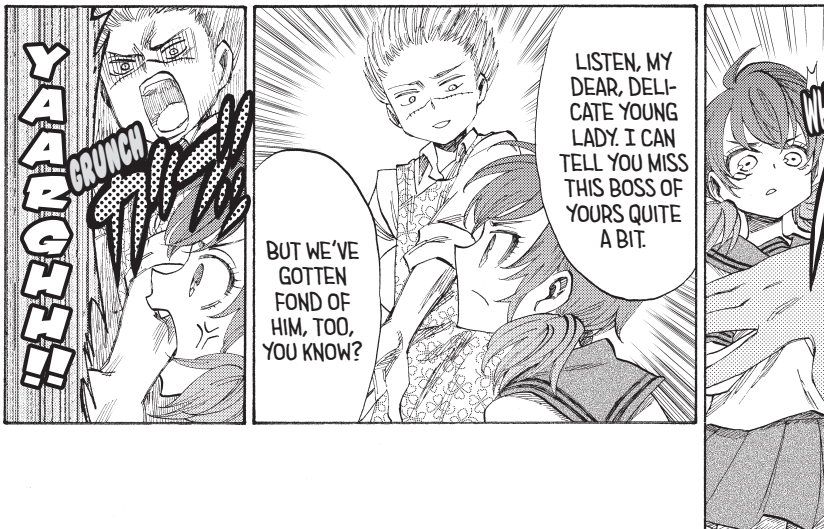
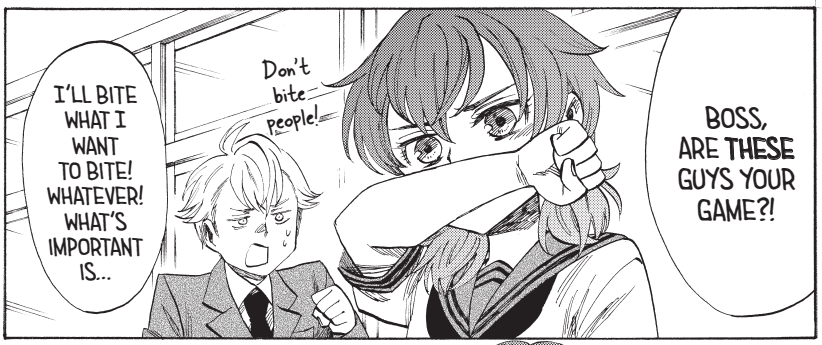
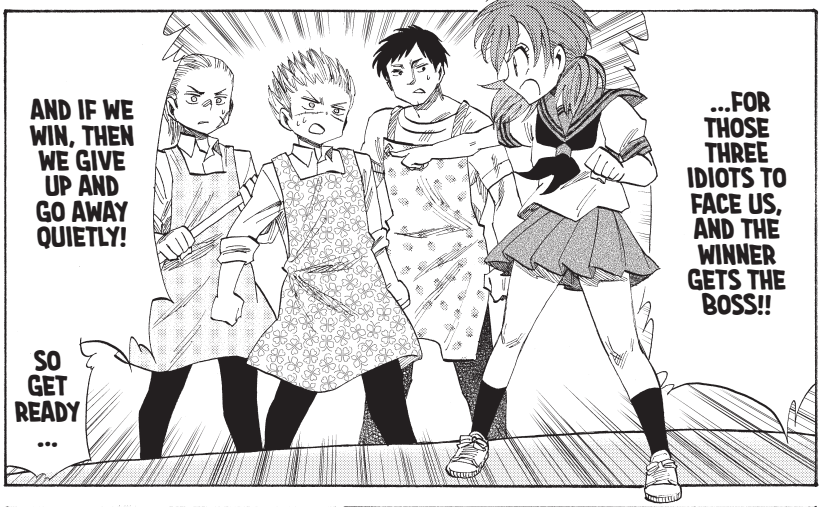
I THOUGHT I'D SEE MORE OF YOU AS A JR. HIGH STUDENT...
...BUT ON MY FIRST DAY, I REALIZED YOU'D COME HERE!
DON'T YOU LIKE US ANYMORE ?!
SCHOOL ENTRANCE CEREMONY
Where's the boss?!

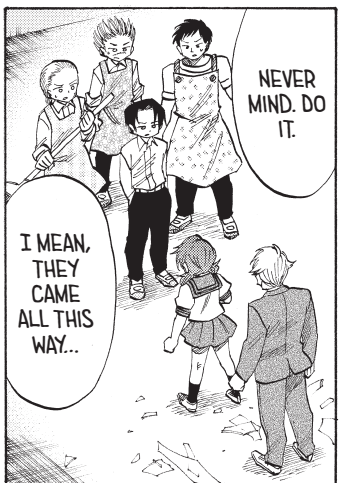

THERE WAS NO REASON FOR ME TO GO TO DISTRICT 2.
BUT I HAD MY REASONS FOR COMING HERE.
WHAT POSSIBLE REASON COULD YOU HAVE?!
ARE YOU SAYING THE PEOPLE HERE ARE MORE IMPORTANT THAN US?!


WHOOSH
LISTEN, MY DEAR, DELICATE YOUNG LADY. I CAN TELL YOU MISS THIS BOSS OF YOURS QUITE A BIT.
BUT WE'VE GOTTEN FOND OF HIM, TOO, YOU KNOW?
CRUNCH
YAARGHH!!


BOSS, ARE THESE GUYS YOUR GAME?!
Don't bite— people!
I'LL BITE WHAT I WANT TO BITE! WHATEVER! WHAT'S IMPORTANT IS...

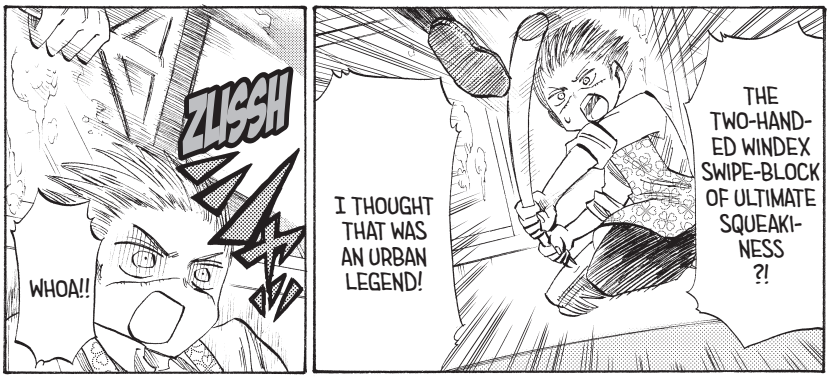

...FOR THOSE THREE IDIOTS TO FACE US, AND THE WINNER GETS THE BOSS!!
AND IF WE WIN, THEN WE GIVE UP AND GO AWAY QUIETLY!
SO GET READY ...

IF YOU LOSE, THEN THE BOSS TRANSFERS BACK TO DISTRICT 2!
HUH? OF ALL THE SELFISH...


NEVER MIND. DO IT.
I MEAN, THEY CAME ALL THIS WAY...

YOUR CHALLENGE WILL BE: CLEAN THE SCHOOL SO THAT NOT ONE SPOT OF DUST IS LEFT. OF COURSE...
DAMMIT!! THE DIRTY WATER IS DRIPPING OFF YOUR MOP AND GETTING EVERYWHERE!!
ガキィィィ
CRAAACK
...YOU WILL FIGHT WHILE YOU CLEAN.
TWIRL
くるっ
DO SOMETHING, YOU TWO! HIS SQUEEGEEING IS TEARING US APART!
THIS IS TERRIBLE! WELL, DON'T JUST STAND THERE!
WHERE'D YOU SAY IT'S GETTING?
!

WE'RE ALREADY IN THE WINDOW-WASHING PHASE!
GRA
PSSHT
TCH
HEY! DON'T COME DOWN ON US JUST BECAUSE YOU'RE FRUSTRATED!!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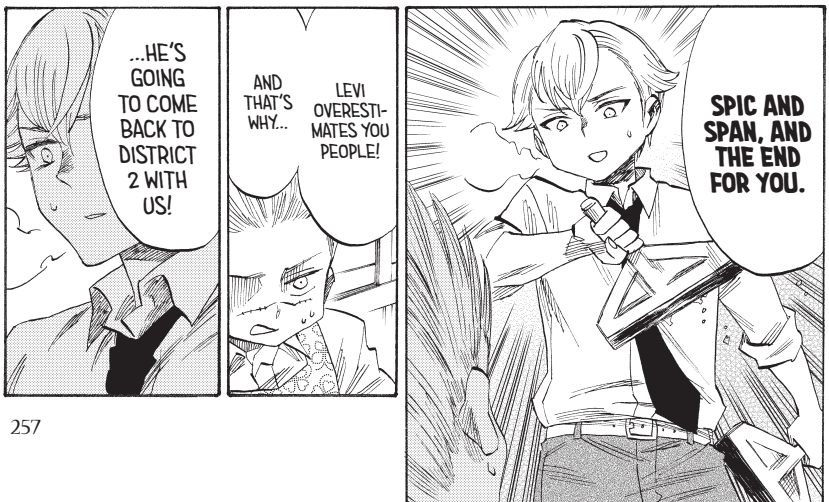
WHOA!!
I THOUGHT THAT WAS AN URBAN LEGEND!
THE TWO-HANDED WINDEX SWIPE-BLOCK OF ULTIMATE SQUEAKINESS ?!


...HE'S GOING TO COME BACK TO DISTRICT 2 WITH US!
AND THAT'S WHY...
LEVI OVERESTIMATES YOU PEOPLE!
SPIC AND SPAN, AND THE END FOR YOU.

FURLAN !!
YOU DID THAT ON PURPOSE!
BLE
TCH
ちゃあっ
OF COURSE I DID!
IT'S NOT LIKE THERE ARE ANY RULES IN A FIGHT!
!
THERE'S NO WAY YOU COULD BE THAT COORDI-NATED!!
WELL, WE'RE JUVENILE DELIN-QUENTS, YOU KNOW!
SO WE'LL TAKE YOU DOWN FIRST!!
AND SAVE THE CLEAN-ING FOR LATER !!
YOU DARE FIGHT BACK...?
ポ
キィィ!
CRACK!

ZWACK
ZWACK
WHA—?!
...EVEN BETTER AT FIGHTING WHEN I CAN FOCUS!
UNFORTUNATELY FOR YOU, I'M...
ZLAAAAT
AAP
ANY LAST WORDS, YOU DIRTY PUNKS?!
VYUUM
VYUUM
VYUUM
I'M GONNA TAKE YOU ALL TO THE CLEANERS!

YOU'RE STILL ALIVE?
AH HA HA HA HA HA HA
TICKLE
TICKLE
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FURLAN CLEANED THE ENTIRE SCHOOL.
THE RESULTS OF THIS COMPETITION ARE ESSENTIALLY IN.
GRIMP
AND YOU TWO ARE THE WINNERS.
WHA ?!
BOSS!
THAT MEANS YOU'LL BE COMING WITH...
GOOD BYE, ISABEL...
FURLAN ...
YOU ARE ALREADY MASTERS ...
...OF THE ART OF TAI DI, THE CLEANING FIST.
THERE IS NOTHING MORE I CAN TEACH YOU. I KNOW DISTRICT 2 IS IN GOOD HANDS.
COME ON, LEVI...
NOW...

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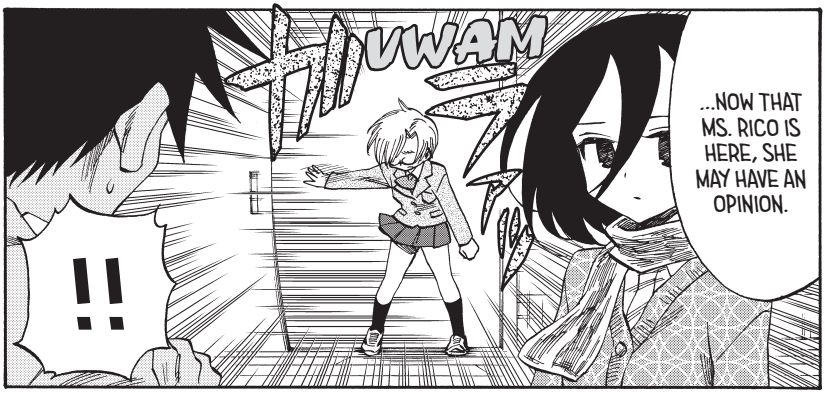
POFF
BUT YOU KNEW THAT WE'D GET SERIOUS IF IT WAS FOR YOU...
YOU WERE TESTING OUR ABILITIES FROM THE START?
YOU, YOUNGER DISCIPLES!
...! YEAH...
WE'LL BE WAITING TO SEE YOU, BOSS.
...TO MAKE SURE THE DUST ISN'T BUILDING UP.
I'LL BE BACK, NOW AND AGAIN ...
Look at all this spilled water!
THIS WAS THE EFFECT LEVI HAD ON PEOPLE. WHEN HE WASN'T SHOUTING AT THEM.
HUH ?!
WE'VE ALREADY GRADUATED.
SO YOU'D BETTER UP YOUR GAME!
YOU'RE GOING TO BE THE ONES THE BOSS LEAVES ATTACK JR. HIGH TO!
YEAH, BUT...

I JUST THOUGHT OF SOMETHING GREAT!!
THIS VERTICAL MANEUVERING GEAR IS SO COOL, ISN'T A WASTE TO USE IT JUST ON CLEANING?
I'LL TAKE YOUR COMPLETE SILENCE AS AGREEMENT.
WELL, I'VE FOUND A MORE EFFICIENT AND PRACTICAL USE!
TUMP
I CAN ALWAYS COUNT ON EREN TO KEEP ME OCCUPIED BETWEEN CHEETOS.
HA! IT'S GOING TO BE SOME USELESS IDEA, LIKE ALWAYS!
HM?

WH-
WHAT'S HE DOING...?
THAT BALL THAT'S BEEN STUCK IN THE GYM RAFTERS ...
HE GRABBED IT WITH NO PROBLEM AT ALL!!
ALL THOSE BALLS WE THOUGHT WE'D LOST BECAUSE THEY WERE STUCK UP THERE...
WHO'D HAVE THOUGHT WE COULD GET THEM BACK SO EASILY...?!
YOU DO HAVE AN IDEA EVERY NOW AND THEN, EREN!!
Cool!
NOW THAT WE'VE GOT THE BALLS, LET'S PLAY!
YEAH!!

AW, CONNIE, THAT'S CUTE. BUT NO, YOU DIDN'T.
I JUST HAD A THOUGHT OF A GREAT IDEA IN MY HEAD!
WAIT A SECOND !!
NO, LISTEN! IF I USE THIS...
KACHANK
...THERE'S NO WAY I CAN EVER LOSE AT DOGEBALL!!
TH-THAT'S TRUE!!
And it's dodgeball.
VRRRMMM
HEY, KNOW WHAT ELSE WE CAN DO?!
WITH THIS...
...I CAN FINALLY DUNK!! TAKE THAT, RACIAL STEREO-TYPES!
DUUUUNK
JEAN IS A GENIUS !!
I'VE THOUGHT OF SOME-THING!
AT LAST...
...I CAN SPIKE A VOLLEYBALL WITHOUT ALL MY TENDONS SPASMING!
POK
ARMIN, YOU DA MAN!!

ACTU-ALLY...
NONE OF THEIR IDEAS ARE OF ANY USE.
THOSE GUYS REALLY ARE KIDS, AREN'T THEY?
YEAH!! HOORAY FOR CHEATING!!
WE'RE UNBEAT-ABLE!!
WE'RE GOING TO MAKE MINCEMEAT OUT OF ALL THE OTHER CLASSES AT SPORTS!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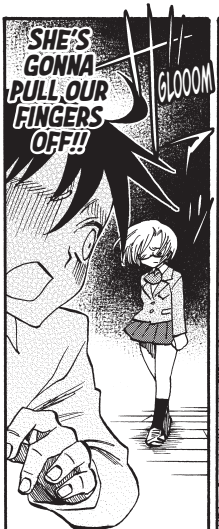
VWAM
...NOW THAT MS. RICO IS HERE, SHE MAY HAVE AN OPINION.

PLEASE FIND SOME FOR-GIVENESS IN YOUR HEART! SPARE OUR WORTHLESS LIVES!!
LISTEN, YOU ALL...

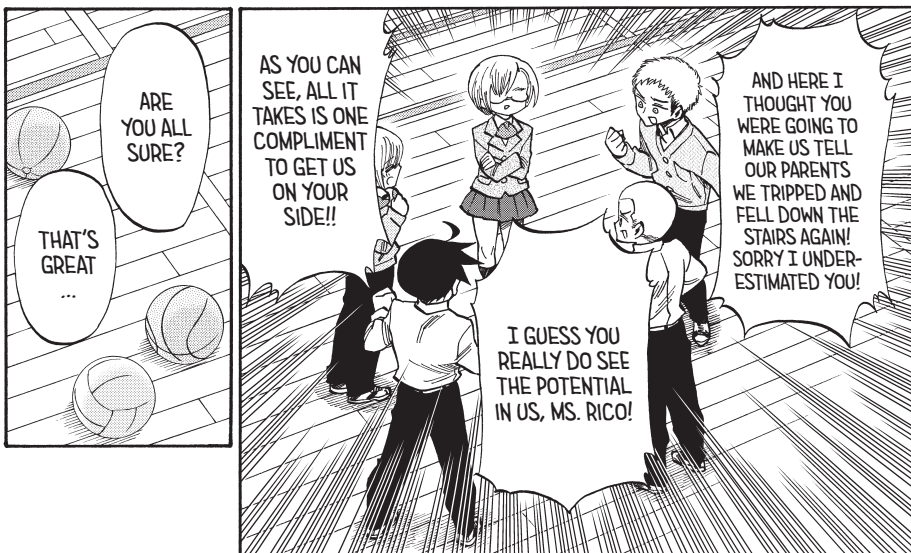

SHE'S GONNA PULL OUR FINGERS OFF!!
GLOOOM

H-HEY, YOU MEAN...
...JUST USE THE EQUIP-MENT WITHOUT ASKING, DID YOU?
E-EREN, YOU DIDN'T ...

THAT WAS WONDER-FUL!!
I LOVE YOUR IMAGI-NATIVE WORK!!
HUH?
KEEP UP THE GREAT IDEAS, EVERY-BODY!!
M-MS. RICO?
WHAT'S THE MATTER?
DID YOU HIT YOUR HEAD ON THE WALL OR SOME-THING?
THAT'S RIGHT! VERTICAL MANEUVERING GEAR IS NOT SIMPLY FOR CLEANING!!
SEARCH FOR THE HIDDEN POSSIBILITIES FOUND WITHIN IT!

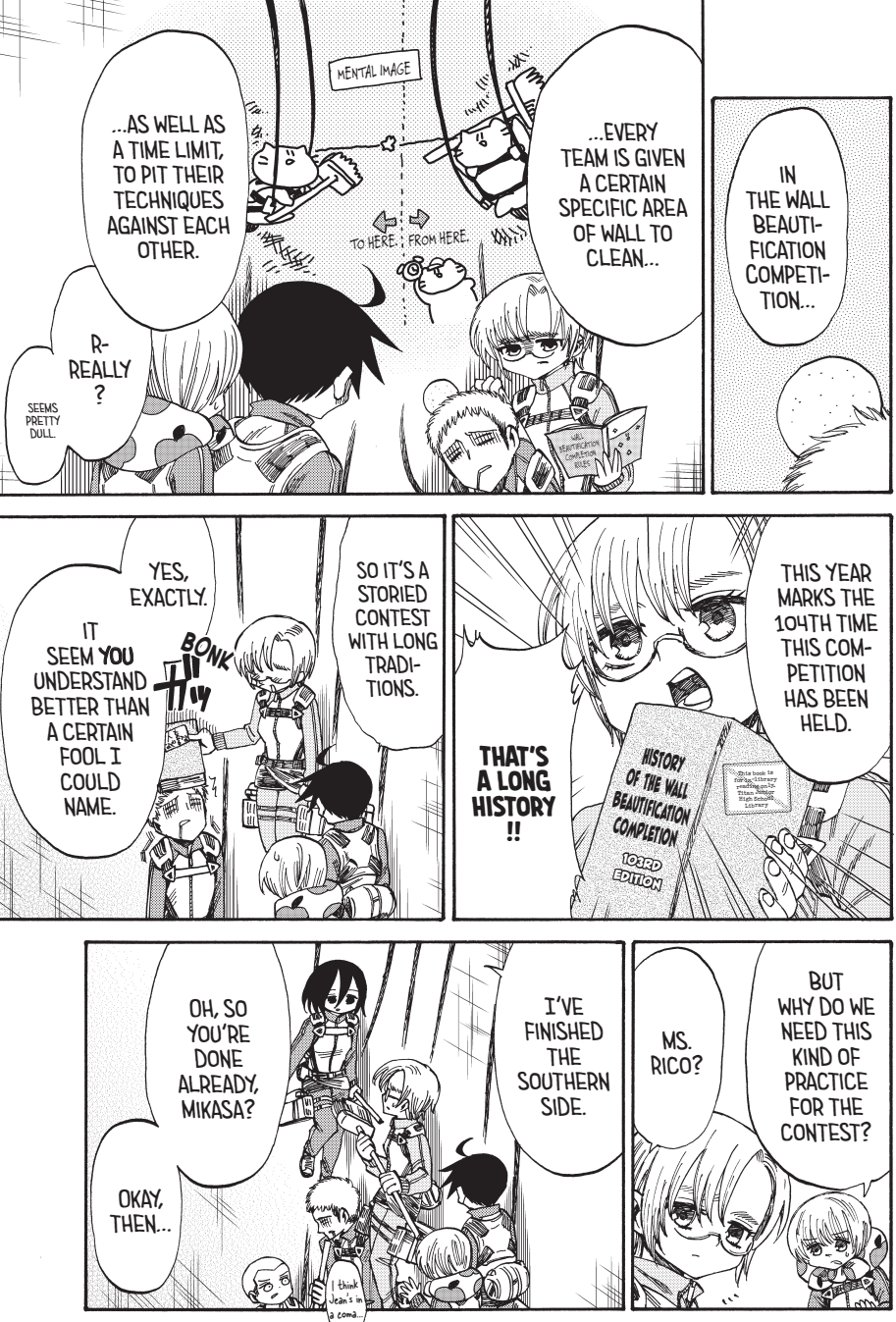
ACTUALLY, I WAS JUST THINKING OF TALKING TO YOU ALL ABOUT THIS...
I WANT YOU ALL TO BRAINSTORM AND THINK UP MORE POSSIBILITIES FOR THE VERTICAL MANEUVERING GEAR.
HEH

YOU SERIOUSLY WANT US TO MESS AROUND WITH THE GEAR?
MS. RICO...
IT LOOKS LIKE YOU ALREADY HAVE THE KNACK FOR IT!!


ARE YOU ALL SURE?
THAT'S GREAT ...
AS YOU CAN SEE, ALL IT TAKES IS ONE COMPLIMENT TO GET US ON YOUR SIDE!!
I GUESS YOU REALLY DO SEE THE POTENTIAL IN US, MS. RICO!
AND HERE I THOUGHT YOU WERE GOING TO MAKE US TELL OUR PARENTS WE TRIPPED AND FELL DOWN THE STAIRS AGAIN! SORRY I UNDERESTIMATED YOU!

FORTY-FOURTH PERIOD: I'LL EXPUNGE THE DIRT

...WITH PIDDLING EFFORTS LIKE THAT?!
PTHWAK
PTHWAK
BASSH
YOU THINK...
...YOU CAN BEAT THEM...
ANYWAY, MS. RICO...
GRR
WHAT WAS THAT?
I WANT TO GO HOME.
AND THIS AFTERNOON WAS JUST A BEAUTIFUL DREAM.
YEAH, MS. RICO IS LIKE SHE ALWAYS IS.
TWITCH
I MEAN, ARE THERE ANY OTHER CLUBS THAT ARE CONSTANTLY WORKING THIS HARD ON SOMETHING THIS POINTLESS?!
IT'S STUPID...
WHY DO WE ALWAYS GET ROPED INTO NONSENSICAL DOODOO LIKE THIS?!
I'm mad!
AND WHY THE SUDDEN BACK-BREAKING PRACTICE?!
WHAT IS A "WALL BEAUTIFICATION COMPETITION?!"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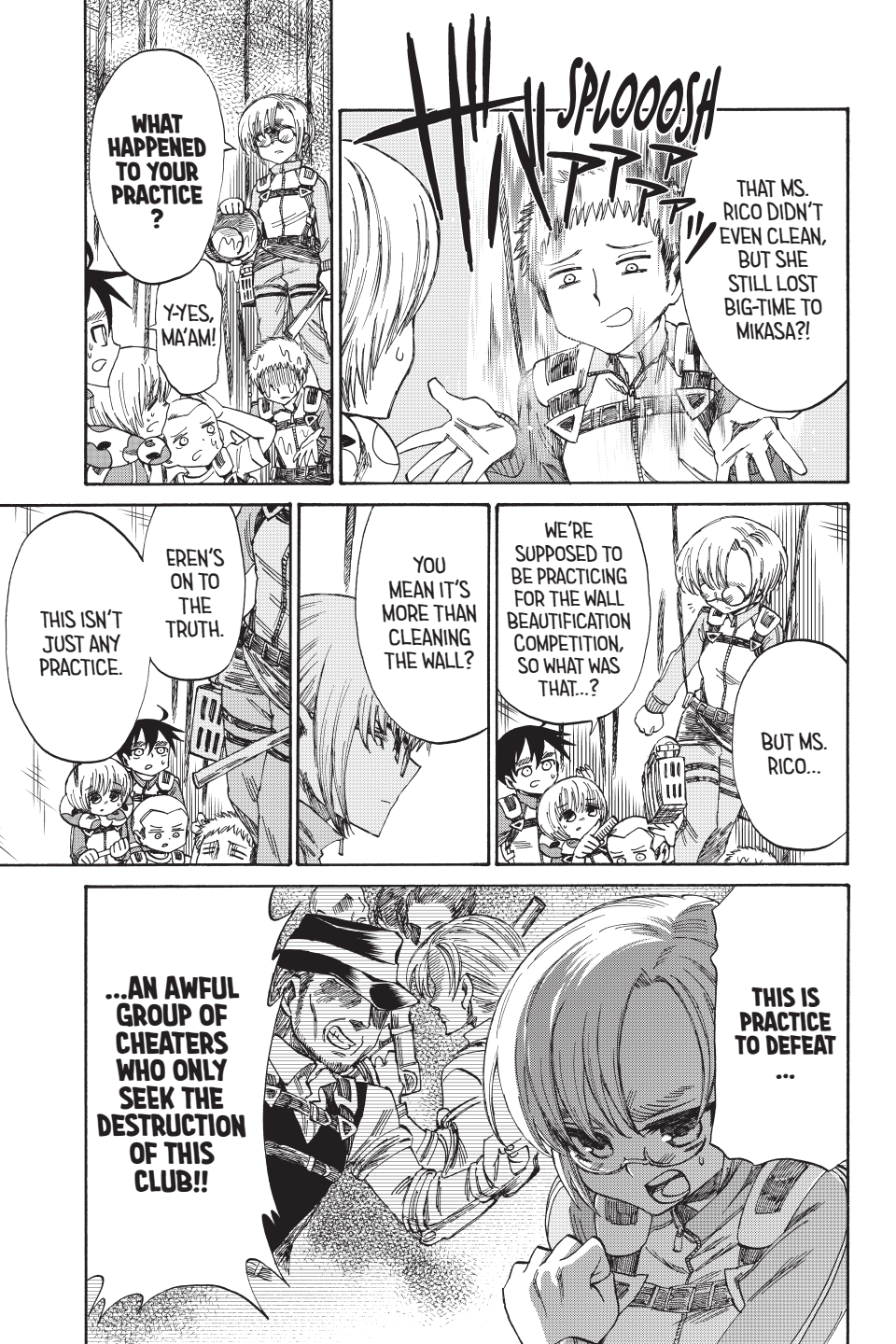
TO HERE.
FROM HERE.
...AS WELL AS A TIME LIMIT, TO PIT THEIR TECHNIQUES AGAINST EACH OTHER.
...EVERY TEAM IS GIVEN A CERTAIN SPECIFIC AREA OF WALL TO CLEAN...
IN THE WALL BEAUTIFICATION COMPETITION...
R-REALLY?
SEEMS PRETTY DULL.
WALL BEAUTIFICATION COMPETITION RULES
YES, EXACTLY.
IT SEEM YOU UNDERSTAND BETTER THAN A CERTAIN FOOL I COULD NAME.
BONK
SO IT'S A STORIED CONTEST WITH LONG TRADITIONS.
THAT'S A LONG HISTORY!!
HISTORY OF THE WALL BEAUTIFICATION COMPLETION
102RD EDITION
THIS YEAR MARKS THE 104TH TIME THIS COMPETITION HAS BEEN HELD.
OH, SO YOU'RE DONE ALREADY, MIKASA?
OKAY, THEN...
I think Jean's in a coma.
I'VE FINISHED THE SOUTHERN SIDE.
MS. RICO?
BUT WHY DO WE NEED THIS KIND OF PRACTICE FOR THE CONTEST?

WHY DON'T WE PRACTICE A LITTLE HAND-TO-HAND?!
VOOOM
HERE I COME, MIKASA!
GRATCH
CRACK
CRACK
VOOM
Hahh
VWOOSH
ZWAKK

I'M SORRY...
DON'T BE...
THAT'S PERFECTLY FINE, MIKASA.
I THINK THIS YEAR WE MAY BE ABLE TO...
...GET A LITTLE OF OUR OWN BACK AGAINST THEM...!
WHAT WAS THAT ABOUT?
IS THIS PRACTICE FOR THE CONTEST?
BUT NOBODY'S DOING ANY CLEANING ...
NO... LOOK AT THE AREA OF THE WALL THEY PASSED...
IT'S AS CLEAN NOW AS IF SOMEONE HAD JUST SCRUBBED IT.

WHEN DID THEY HAVE TIME FOR CLEANING?
WHO DID THE CLEANING?
...PRACTICE FOR THE WALL BEAUTIFICATION COMPETITION?
THEN THIS ACTUALLY IS...
JUST A FEW SECONDS AGO WHEN MS. RICO ATTACKED WITH HER BRUSH...
...MIKASA FENDED HER OFF WITH DETERGENT, A BRUSH AND HER SQUEEGEE.
SO IT WAS MIKASA WHO DID THE ACTUAL CLEANING.
HM?
IN OTHER WORDS, ARMIN, YOU MEAN...
I SUPPOSE MS. RICO WAS PLAYING THE PART OF OUR OPPONENT.
YOU MEAN AT THAT SPEED, WHILE FENDING OFF MS. RICO? THAT'S INCREDIBLE!


WHAT HAPPENED TO YOUR PRACTICE?
Y-YES, MA'AM!
SPLOOOSH
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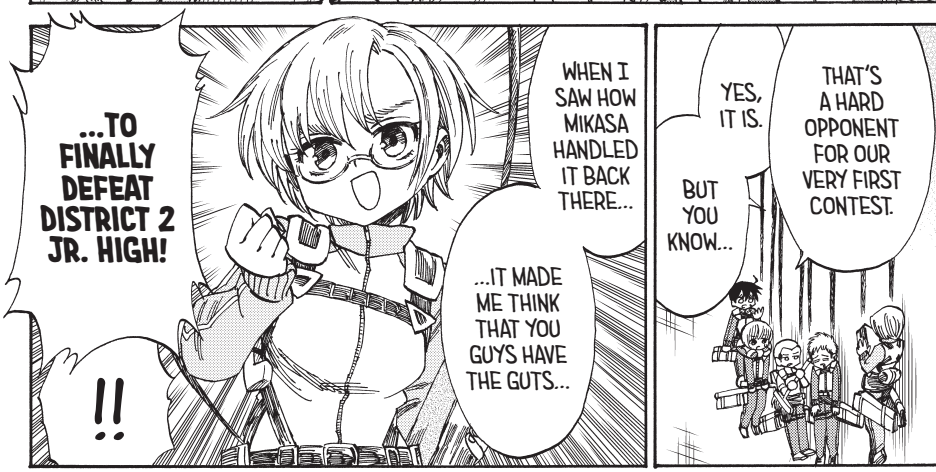
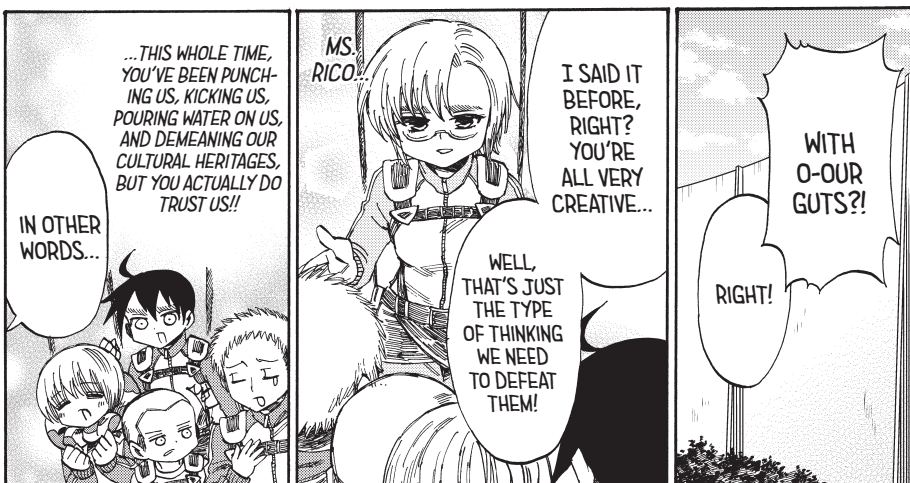
THAT MS. RICO DIDN'T EVEN CLEAN, BUT SHE STILL LOST BIG-TIME TO MIKASA?!
EREN'S ON TO THE TRUTH.
THIS ISN'T JUST ANY PRACTICE.
YOU MEAN IT'S MORE THAN CLEANING THE WALL?
WE'RE SUPPOSED TO BE PRACTICING FOR THE WALL BEAUTIFICATION COMPETITION, SO WHAT WAS THAT...?
BUT MS. RICO...
...AN AWFUL GROUP OF CHEATERS WHO ONLY SEEK THE DESTRUCTION OF THIS CLUB!!
THIS IS PRACTICE TO DEFEAT ...

CHEATERS ?
WE'LL FACE THEM IN OUR FIRST MATCH.
THEY WILL USE ANY DIRTY TRICK TO WIN!
AND THEY'VE NEVER BEEN DEFEATED IN A HUNDRED YEARS!!
NO SCHOOL HAS EVER BEEN ABLE TO BREAK THEIR HOLD!!


THAT'S A HARD OPPONENT FOR OUR VERY FIRST CONTEST.
YES, IT IS.
BUT YOU KNOW...
WHEN I SAW HOW MIKASA HANDLED IT BACK THERE...
...IT MADE ME THINK THAT YOU GUYS HAVE THE GUTS...
!!
...TO FINALLY DEFEAT DISTRICT 2 JR. HIGH!


WITH O-OUR GUTS?!
RIGHT!
MS. RICO...
I SAID IT BEFORE, RIGHT? YOU'RE ALL VERY CREATIVE...
WELL, THAT'S JUST THE TYPE OF THINKING WE NEED TO DEFEAT THEM!
...THIS WHOLE TIME, YOU'VE BEEN PUNCHING US, KICKING US, POURING WATER ON US, AND DEMEANING OUR CULTURAL HERITAGES, BUT YOU ACTUALLY DO TRUST US!!
IN OTHER WORDS...

YOU'VE GOT THE DIRTY TRICKS TO BEAT THEIR DIRTY TRICKS!
WAIT! WHAT'S THAT SUPPOSED TO—
YOU WERE JUST STANDING AROUND THINKING ABOUT WAYS TO CHEAT AT SPORTS, RIGHT?
WELL, THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT I EXPECT YOU TO DO HERE! SO GIVE IT YOUR BEST!
HM? WHAT'S WITH THE LONG FACES?
I'VE HAD ENOUGH!
YOU REALLY FORCE US INTO THE WORST SITUATIONS!
OH, HO?
GOOD! CRY MORE!
THAT'S EXACTLY THE KIND OF DESPERATION YOU'LL NEED TO WIN!
MS. RICO, WHAT'S THAT SUPPOSED TO...
EYAAAAAAH!!

WHAT WAS THAT?!
I THINK IT CAME FROM WHERE SASHA WAS CLEANING...
HUH? WHAT'S THAT?!
OOOOM
BOO
WE'VE COME TO CLEAN YOUR UGLY WALLS!! -ATTACK DISTRICT 2 JR. HIGH WBC
WHA?!
SASHA, ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?!
MS. RICO, IS THIS...?
YES, IT IS...
THIS IS HOW THEY FIGHT...

FORTY-FIFTH PERIOD: FINAL BATTLE! THE WALL BEAUTIFICATION COMPETITION

TODAY, ALL OF THE CLUB'S EQUIPMENT FEELS KIND OF DAMP.
DAMP
しっとり。
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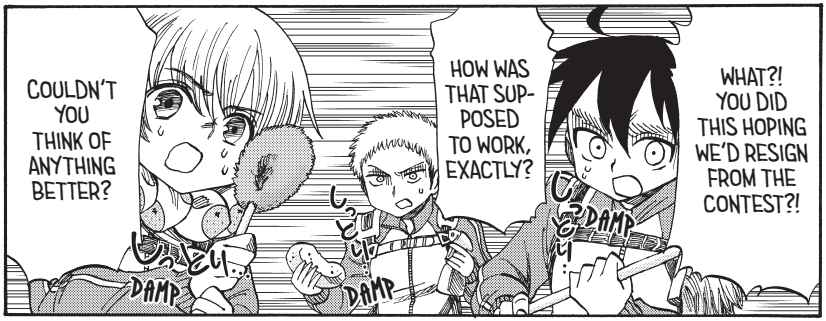
DAMP
しっとり。
IS THIS THEIR WORK TOO?!
DAMP
しっとり。
I DON'T WANT TO IMAGINE WHERE THESE HAVE BEEN.
WHY WOULD THEY DO THIS?
AND WHAT'S THIS STICKY, WET STUFF?
BWA HA HA HA HA HA! WELL, ATTACK JR. HIGH?!

YOU SHOULD JUST PULL OUT OF THE COMPETITION NOW!
YOUR EQUIPMENT'S DAMP, AND SO YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO CONCENTRATE ON YOUR CLEANING, RIGHT? YOU'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO PRACTICE IN PEACE, WILL YOU?!


COULDN'T YOU THINK OF ANYTHING BETTER?
HOW WAS THAT SUPPOSED TO WORK, EXACTLY?
WHAT?! YOU DID THIS HOPING WE'D RESIGN FROM THE CONTEST?!
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DAMP

WHY DO YOU GUYS HAVE SO MUCH HAND CREAM?! NO, DON'T TELL ME...
WHAT WAS THAT?!
WE WANTED TO USE SOME HIGH-GRADE, MOISTURE-LOCKING CREAM ON THEM, BUT...
...ALL WE HAD ON HAND WAS SEVERAL TUBS OF REGULAR HAND CREAM!!
HEH! A BETTER WAY?
YES, OF COURSE!

STAND DOWN, JERKS!!
YOU THOUGHT WE'D PULL OUT OF THE CONTEST ?!
YOU'LL HAVE TO DO BETTER THAN THAT TO SCARE US OFF!!
YEAH, SHE'S RIGHT!!
Tsk!
HEH... AFTER ALL THAT, THEY STILL DON'T PLAN ON PULLING OUT.
WELL, I'LL GIVE THEM CREDIT FOR MORE GUTS THAN USUAL. BUT IF SO...
WE'LL MAKE SURE...
...NOT A SINGLE ONE OF THEM IS LEFT STANDING!!
DASH!!

HM?
GACHIIIIINNG
WHAT WAS THAT? IT SOUNDS LIKE IT CAME FROM THE SOUTH WALL...
WHO KNOWS?
BUT... WHOA!!
POIT
WHAT'S ALL THIS...? CLEANING SUPPLIES?
BUT THEY AREN'T SUPPLIES...

NOW FOR THE FINISH!
YOU'RE CORNERED !!
KH...
VWATCH
ARGGH !!
GANCH
YOUR ARMPITS ARE WIDE OPEN!!
HOLD IT!
EREN!!
SLUMP
GAH ...

...
WHICH MEANS IF WE TAKE HER OUT, THEY'RE HAVE NO HOPE OF WINNING!
IT LOOKS LIKE THIS GIRL IS ATTACK JR. HIGH'S ACE...

WHOOOSH
バシャアッ
ZLUP
ZLUUUSH
WHAT DID YOU SAY, YOU JERKS?!
DON'T YOU DARE TREAT US LIKE SMALL FRY!!
GATCH
SHE LEFT AN OPENING!
GACHIIIIINNG
EREN!! AND OTHER PEOPLE I DON'T CARE ABOUT!
SHE REALLY IS GOOD...!!
DASH
SHIVER
BUT...
M-MIKASA!!
...EVERYTHING WE'VE DONE SO FAR HAS BEEN PART OF OUR PLAN...!!
SLIP

HE'S THE ONE WHO FALLS?!
ZLOOOOPAAAH
EREN!
WATCH OU-!!
KERSPLAT
SICK HER!!
YEAH, OKAY. BUT THIS TIME, SHE'S WIDE OPEN!!
TWITCH
GLARRE

DAMMIT... SINCE IT'S COME TO THIS...
STOP SAYING, "SHE'S WIDE OPEN!"
ZWAP
ZWAP
ZWAP
ZWAP
?!
WHAT?! THAT'S SUPER MEAN, OKAY?!
JUST TAKE OUT ALL THE WEAK ONES!!
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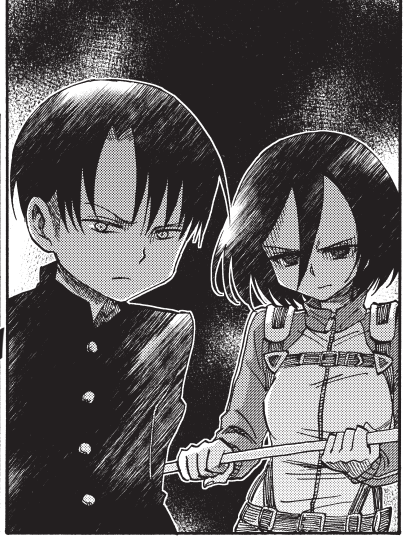
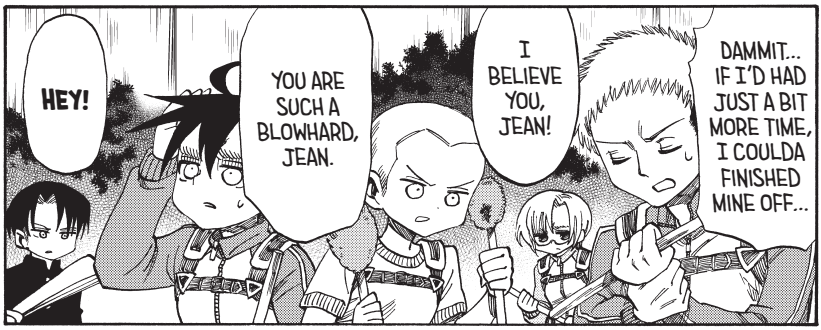
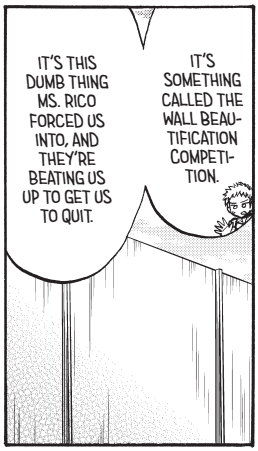
MEN, WE MUST BEAT AN INHUMANLY FAST RETREAT!!
DASH

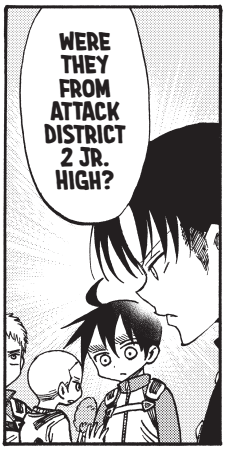


WHAT'S WITH THIS RUNT?!
IS HE PART OF THE TITAN WBC, TOO?
WHO CARES? GET HIM!


HEY!
YOU ARE SUCH A BLOWHARD, JEAN.
I BELIEVE YOU, JEAN!
DAMMIT... IF I'D HAD JUST A BIT MORE TIME, I COULDA FINISHED MINE OFF...


IT'S THIS DUMB THING MS. RICO FORCED US INTO, AND THEY'RE BEATING US UP TO GET US TO QUIT.
IT'S SOMETHING CALLED THE WALL BEAUTIFICATION COMPETITION.

NO...?
MR. LEVI, YOU KNOW THEM?
WHA?!
WHAT WERE THEY HERE FOR?

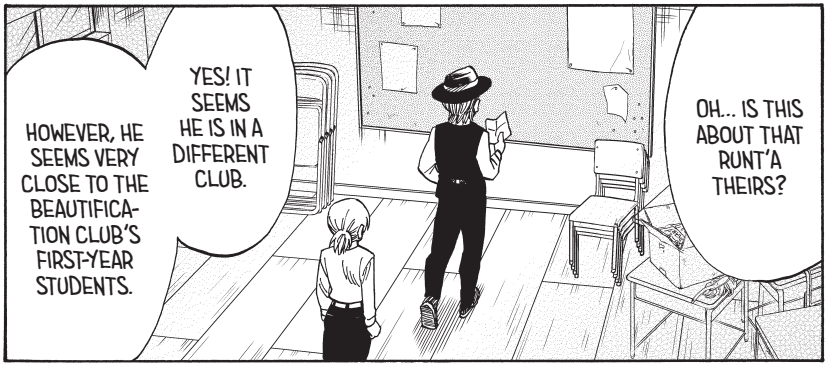

WERE THEY FROM ATTACK DISTRICT 2 JR. HIGH?

I MEAN, I GUESS WE ALL CAME OUT OF IT PRETTY MUCH UNHARMED...
GRIP
グッ
OUCH...
...WHEN EREN'S INVOLVED, YOU FORGET TO LOOK AROUND YOU.
I DON'T KNOW WHY, BUT...
WAIT, WHAT ARE YOU...
MIKASA, YOU DIDN'T ...
...GET HURT BACK THERE...

YOU'RE IN TROUBLE, AREN'T YOU?
THAT ISN'T THE PROBLEM, IS IT?
NO, EREN...
THIS WAS JUST...
AND WHEN I SAW WHAT WENT ON BACK THERE, I GOT IT.
WITHOUT HER, WE DON'T HAVE A CHANCE OF WINNING!!
MIKASA WAS OUR BIGGEST HOPE.
YEAH... YOU'RE EXACTLY RIGHT.
HEY!
BUT IT'S OBVIOUS ...
...THAT WE CAN'T BEAT DISTRICT 2!!
SLUMP
I THOUGHT THAT THIS YEAR YOUR CHEATING MIGHT HELP...

I'LL DO IT.
!!
B-BUT YOU DON'T KNOW HOW TO USE THE VERTICAL MANEUVERING GEAR...
THOSE THINGS YOU GUYS ARE ALWAYS USING?
I HAVE IT PRETTY WELL FIGURED.
MIGHT MR. LEVI BE...
...DOING THIS FOR US...?
NORMALLY HE'S SO COLD...
...BY WHICH I MEAN HE'S CONSTANTLY HITTING US WITH THAT PAPER FAN.
BUT MAYBE HE FEELS A RESPONSIBILITY TO US AS UNDERCLASSMEN!
SHIFF
...OR MAYBE...
THIS WALL BEAUTIFICATION COMPETITION SOUNDS...
...INTERESTING.
...HE JUST REALLY LOVES CLEANING.

ATTACK DISTRICT 2 JR. HIGH
HUH?
THEY SENT YA PACKING?
P-PLEASE FORGIVE US!!
BOOOOOM
Y'ALL SAID THEY WERE IDIOTS, SO YA'D BE JUST FINE. WEREN'T THOSE Y'ALL'S WORDS?!
WELL, YOU SEE, THERE WAS THIS RUNT WHO WAS PASSING BY—
OWW!!
GRUNCH
HUH?! A RUNT MADE YA BREAK AND RUN?! HOW PATHETIC C'N YA GET?!
COMMANDER ACKERMAN, I HAVE SOME NEW INFORMATION!
THAT GIRL, THE ACE OF THE OPPOSING TEAM, SUFFERED AN INJURY.
OH? REALLY?
PSHUUM
ONE MORE THING ...


OH... IS THIS ABOUT THAT RUNT'A THEIRS?
YES! IT SEEMS HE IS IN A DIFFERENT CLUB.
HOWEVER, HE SEEMS VERY CLOSE TO THE BEAUTIFICATION CLUB'S FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS.

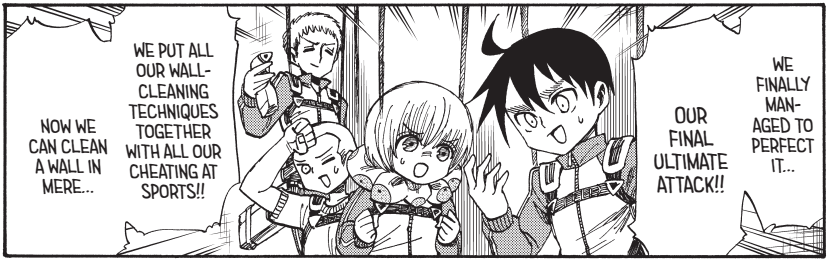
WELL DONE, MEN!
!!
TWIRL
PEEP
THAT MAKES SENSE.

...
BLAM
B- BLAM
BLAM
COMMANDER...
THANK YOU SO MUCH!
THOSE WORDS ALONE WILL CARRY US INTO THE CONTEST TO...
THAT'LL HELP US OUT!
YOUR PERFORMANCE WAS WELL BELOW WHAT WAS EXPECTED...
...BUT YA MANAGE TO ELIMINATE THEIR ACE.

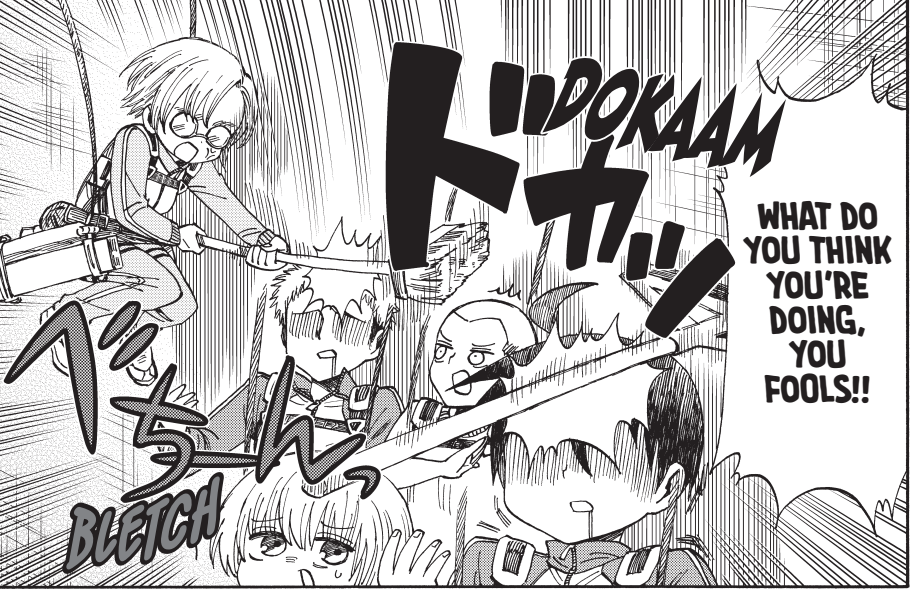
SHK
AS AH WAS SAYIN'...
...Y'ALL ARE FIRED.
WHAT DID THE COMMANDER SAY...?
ISABEL!
CLEAN UP HERE.
FURLAN!
HUH?!
THEY MAY BE IN JR. HIGH, BUT THEY'RE PROFESSIONAL "CLEANERS."
ALSO...
THOSE TWO...
COMMANDER...
AAAAAAH!!

...THEY WERE TRAINED...
...BY THIS RUNT.
PSHHHOOOOOO
SUPER CLEAN-ING DUNK !!!
TAKE THIS!!
ULTIMATE ATTACK!!
AND PASS!!
Right!
VWOOSH
BLETCH
MIRACLE SQUEEGEE SERVE!!
HERE I GO...
ULTI-MATE ATTACK ...
FINISHING MOVE!!
GRAB

ZWOOSH
KACHAAAA
GRAND SLAM HOME RUN!!
CLEAN SWEEP !!
AANNK
Phew!


WE FINALLY MANAGED TO PERFECT IT...
OUR FINAL ULTIMATE ATTACK!!
WE PUT ALL OUR WALL-CLEANING TECHNIQUES TOGETHER WITH ALL OUR CHEATING AT SPORTS!!
NOW WE CAN CLEAN A WALL IN MERE...

... MOMENTS ...
EREN, WHERE'S THE SQUEEGEE?
Um...
IT COULDN'T HAVE GONE...
WOOOOOSH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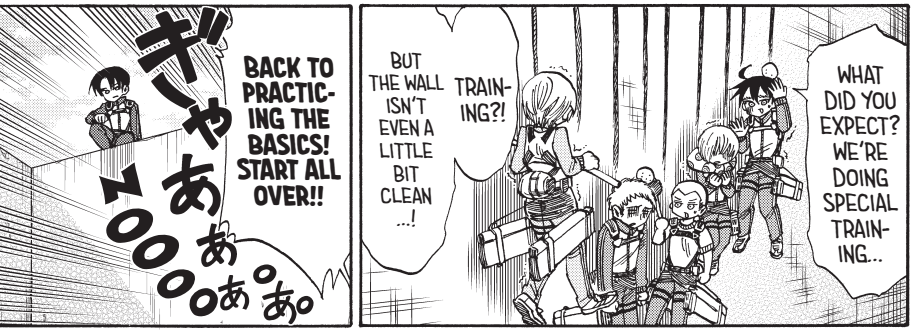
DOKAAM
WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING, YOU FOOLS!!
ベちーん
BLETCH


WHAT DID YOU EXPECT? WE'RE DOING SPECIAL TRAINING...
TRAINING?! BUT THE WALL ISN'T EVEN A LITTLE BIT CLEAN...!
BACK TO PRACTICING THE BASICS! START ALL OVER!!
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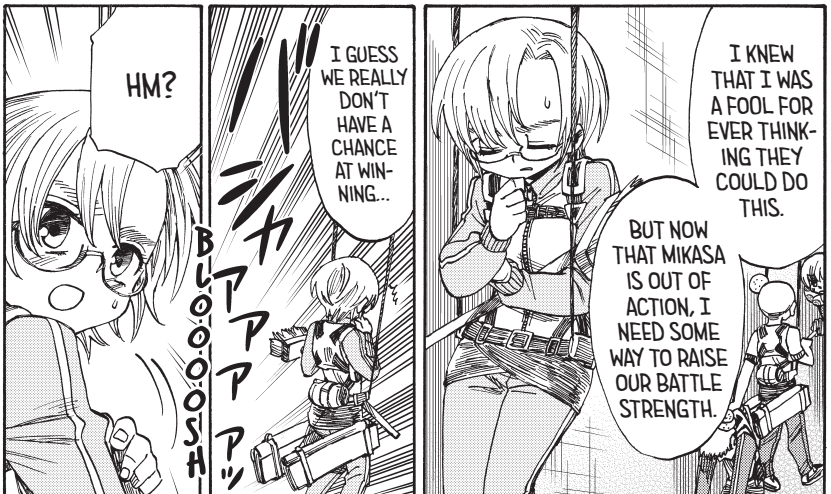
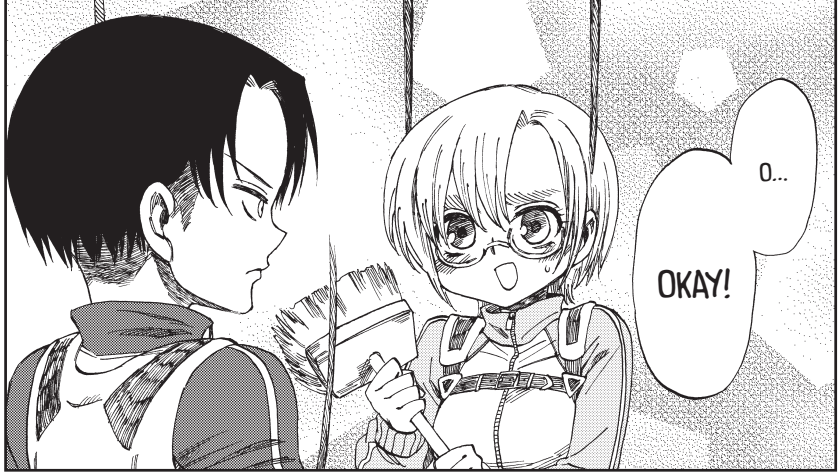
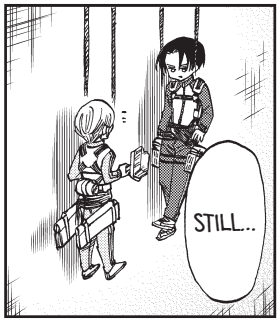
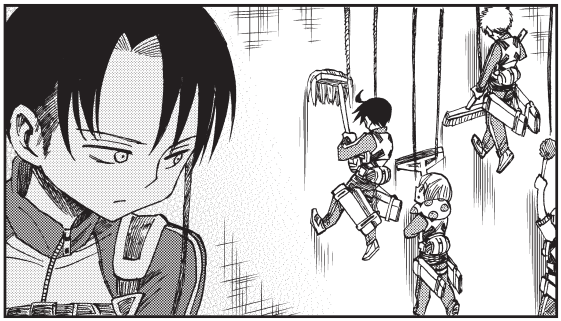

I KNEW THAT I WAS A FOOL FOR EVER THINKING THEY COULD DO THIS.
BUT NOW THAT MIKASA IS OUT OF ACTION, I NEED SOME WAY TO RAISE OUR BATTLE STRENGTH.
I GUESS WE REALLY DON'T HAVE A CHANCE AT WINNING...
ビシャアアアッ
BLOOOOOSH
HM?

SHEEEEEENN
!!
WH-WHAT JUST HAP-PENED ...?!
WHOOSH
I DON'T SEE ANY REASON FOR YOU TO SWEAT IT.
THIS WALL... DID YOU...
NO.
ALL I DID WAS FINISH OFF WHAT THOSE KIDS HAD ALREADY DONE.
IT'S TRUE THEY SORT OF FELL APART AT THE END, BUT...
YOU SHOULD BELIEVE IN WHAT YOU'VE TAUGHT THEM.
I MEAN, THEY ARE IRRITAT-ING, BUT THEY CAN CLEAN A WALL, AT LEAST.


O...
OKAY!


STILL...



...EREN SAID LEVI ONLY JOINED US BECAUSE HE LIKES CLEANING...
"THOSE TWO"...? WHO CAN HE MEAN BY THAT?! ALSO...

VOOM
ヒュッ
?
...THEY'LL BE COMPLETELY USELESS AGAINST THOSE TWO.

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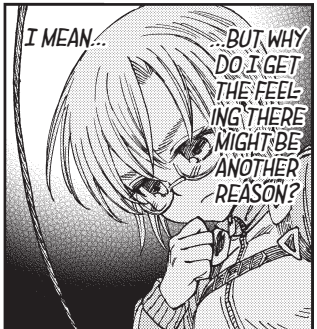
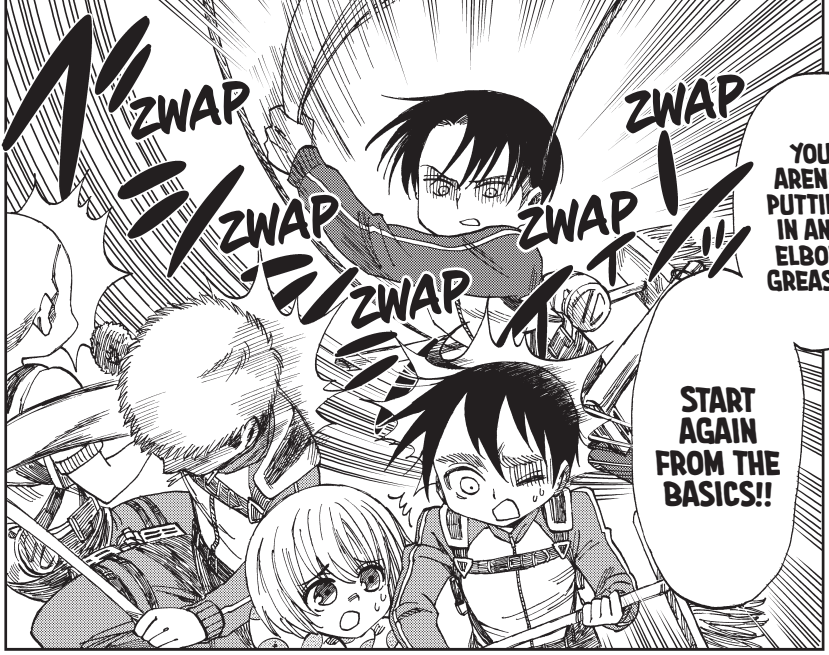
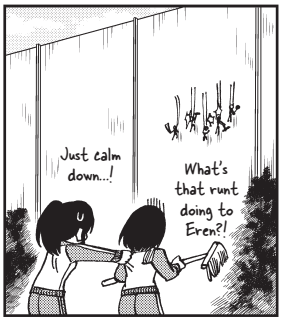
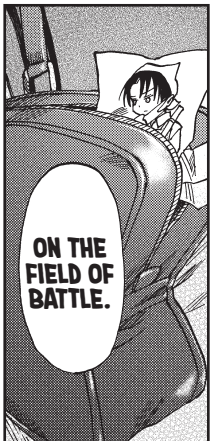
EY
...HE ONLY SHOWED INTEREST WHEN SOMEONE MENTIONED DISTRICT 2...

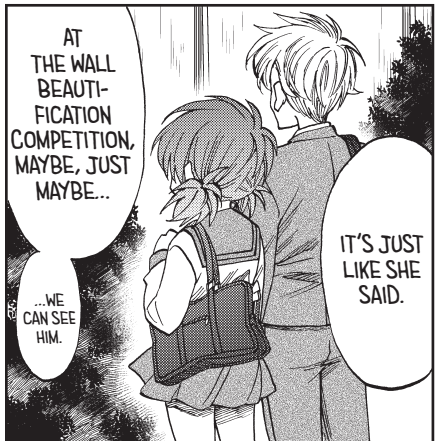

I MEAN...
...BUT WHY DO I GET THE FEELING THERE MIGHT BE ANOTHER REASON?

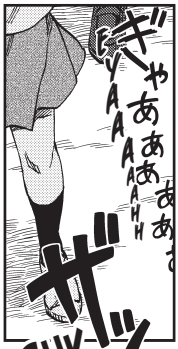

ZWAP
ZWAP
ZWAP
ZWAP
ZWAP
YOU AREN'T PUTTING IN ANY ELBOW GREASE!
START AGAIN FROM THE BASICS!!


Just calm down...!
What's that runt doing to Eren?!

...
I GUESS HE DOES LIKE CLEANING.


ON THE FIELD OF BATTLE.


AT THE WALL BEAUTIFICATION COMPETITION, MAYBE, JUST MAYBE...
...WE CAN SEE HIM.
IT'S JUST LIKE SHE SAID.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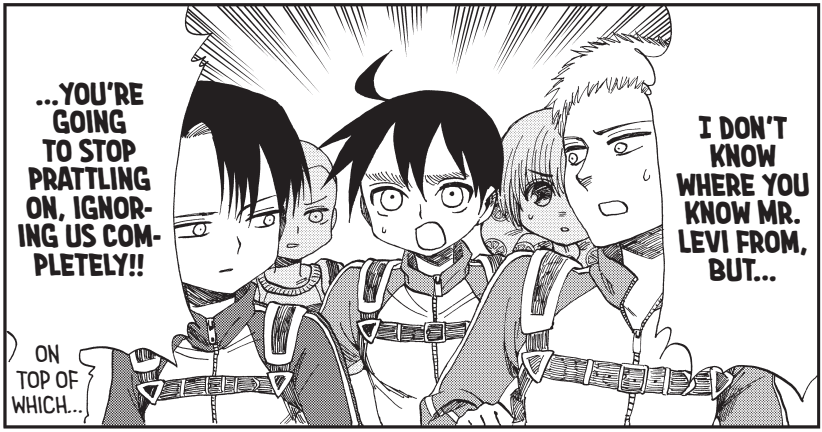
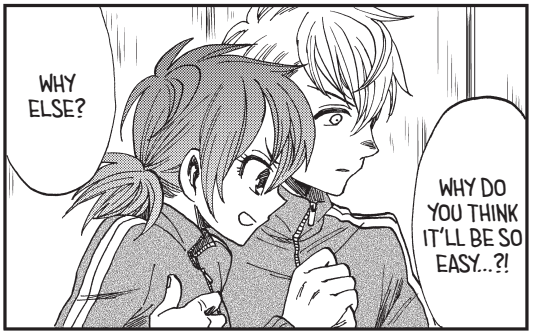
SHK

PO-POFF
PO-POFF
The 104th WALL BEAUTIFICATION COMPETITION
In Attack District 108 Jr. High
SO THE DAY IS FINALLY HERE.
ALSO, THERE'S ONE THING I WANT TO TALK TO YOU ALL ABOUT.
RULE BOOK
WE'RE TAKING THEM DOWN!!
YEAH! おーっ!
AND WE HAVE BUT ONE GOAL HERE!
TO GIVE DISTRICT 2 THEIR LUMPS AND SEND THEM HOME!!
HUH?!
THE WINNER OF THIS COMPETITION GETS TO MAKE A REQUEST, AND WHATEVER IT IS, IT WILL BE GRANTED!
ANY-THING THEY WANT?!
YES!
I'M ABOUT TO GET MY HANDS ON THE POWER TO EXTER-MINATE ALL THE TITANS!!
POWW ボコォ!!
NO, WE'RE GO-ING TO MOUNT A NATIONAL TOUR OF MY ONE-MAN SHOW, "CHEERSTEIN FOR KIRSTEIN"!!
STOP THAT!!

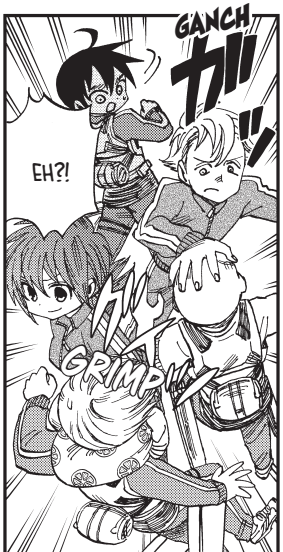
!
HUH?!
AH HA HA HA HA HA! AGAINST YOU GUYS, WE'LL WIN WITH SPACE TO SPARE!
ARG... I KNEW I SHOULDN'T HAVE EXPECTED SO MUCH OF THEM...
LONG TIME, NO SEE, BOSS...
WE HAVE ONLY ONE WISH...
WHAT ?!
LEVI!
WE WANT YOU TO TRANSFER BACK TO DISTRICT 2 JR. HIGH!!

They're ignoring me?!
YOU TWO...! WHAT IS THE MEANING OF THIS?
I TOLD YOU BEFORE. I HAVE THINGS TO DO HERE.
I WAS LEAVING DISTRICT 2 TO YOU TWO.
DID YOU THINK I HAD CHANGED MY MIND?
WHO ARE YOU?!
...
UH...
ISABEL...
FURLAN...
HEY, WAIT A MINUTE!!
WE PROMISE, YOU'LL NEVER AGAIN HAVE TO GO THROUGH...
WE HAVE TO GET YOU TO RE-JOIN OUR GROUP AND BECOME A THREE-SOME!
WE NEED YOU, BOSS!! WE'LL DO ANYTHING TO GET IT BACK!!
NO...
THIS ISN'T JUST SOME WHIM!


...YOU'RE GOING TO STOP PRATTLING ON, IGNORING US COMPLETELY!!
I DON'T KNOW WHERE YOU KNOW MR. LEVI FROM, BUT...
ON TOP OF WHICH...


WHY ELSE?
WHY DO YOU THINK IT'LL BE SO EASY...?!

YOU SAID SOMETHING ABOUT WINNING EASILY!


GANCH
EH?!
GRIMP!

!!
ONCE YOU TRY IT FOR REAL, YOU'LL UNDERSTAND!!
WHOOSH

VWOOSH
HUP!
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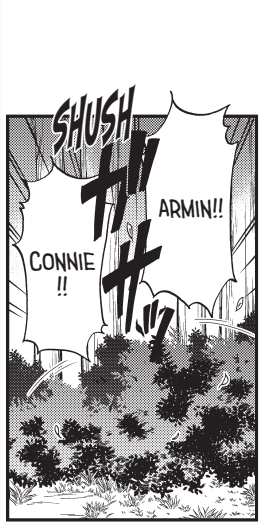
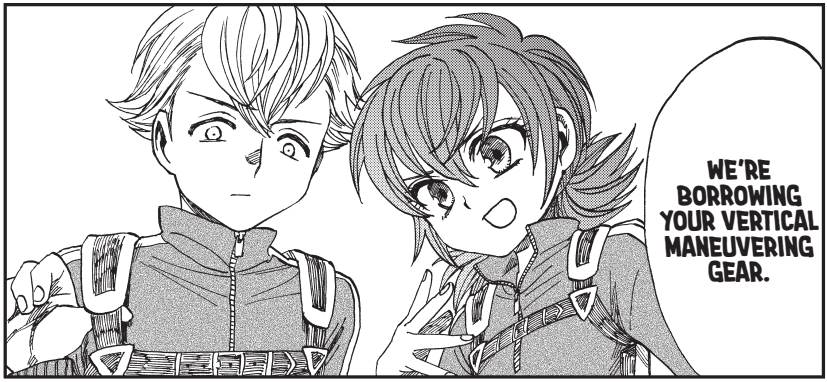
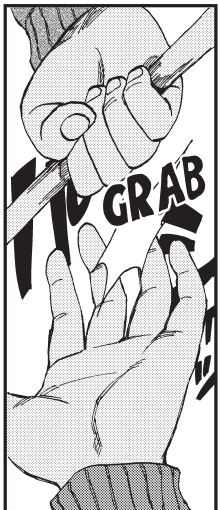

SHUSH
ARMIN!!
CONNIE!!

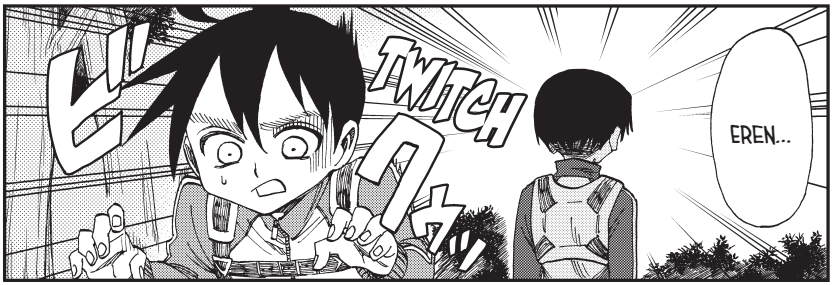

WE'RE BORROWING YOUR VERTICAL MANEUVERING GEAR.

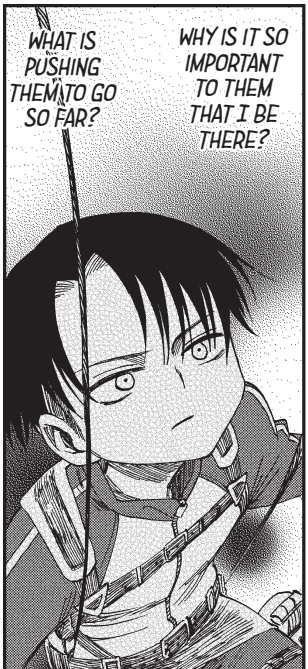

GRAB

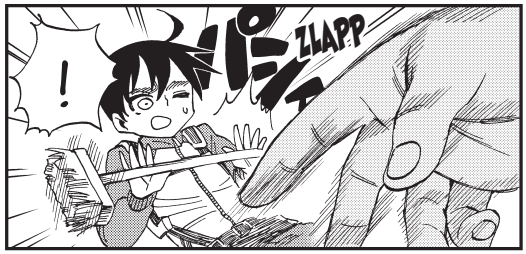
STEALING IS NOT NICE!
WUUUM

AND NOW...
KASHAK
DAMMIT! JUST YOU WAIT!

STOP RIGHT THERE!!
OH, I'M BOR-ROWING THIS, TOO!!


TWITCH
EREN...


WHAT IS PUSHING THEM TO GO SO FAR?
WHY IS IT SO IMPORTANT TO THEM THAT I BE THERE?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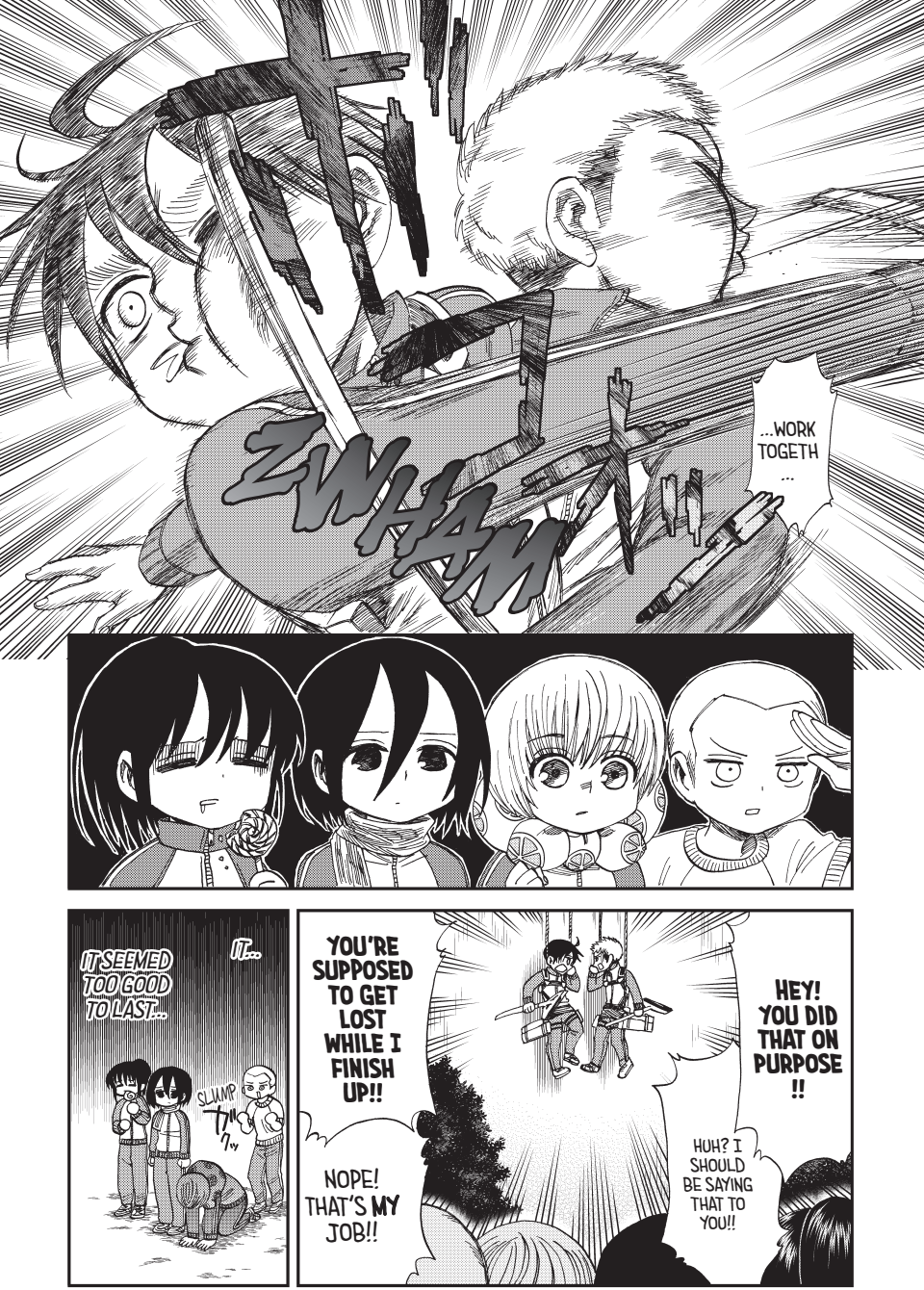
WHIP
USE THIS.
HUH?!
YOU LEAVE THOSE TWO TO ME.

IT'S YOURS, ISABEL!
SHHHUUM
PSSHUM
ZWAAASH
GYUUM
SQUEEECH
SHIIIINE
Heh heh!

WELL, YOU AREN'T RUSTY AT ALL.
H-HEY, ISA-BEL...
WE'VE BEEN CONCEN-TRATING ON CLEANING FOR THE ENTIRE TIME WE'VE BEEN APART!
OF COURSE WE'RE NOT, BOSS!
JUST LOOK AT THIS!!
I SEE.
IT'S A CUTE LITTLE PUSSYCAT.
にゃにゃMEOOOW
SHUUM
SEE?!
I CAN EVEN DO THIS!
にゃMEOOW

WAAAN
WOOOW! A TIGER!!
BUT CAN YOU DO THIS?
SQUEEG
SHOOM
WHAT IN THE WORLD IS HE...?
WHAT IS THIS? I THOUGHT FOR SURE HE'D COME TO SEND US PACKING...
AH!
...
THAT'S AMAZING, BOSS!!
I GUESS I'M NOT AS HOT AS I THOUGHT!
TWITCH
FURLAN... THAT'S HURTFUL.
NO WAY!!
LEVI IS ONLY PRE-TENDING TO HAVE A NICE TALK WITH US!
HE'S ACTUALLY HERE TO DISTRACT US!!
NO, ISABEL! YOU CAN'T!!

HOW COULD YOU THINK THAT ABOUT ME?
GRAB
BUT THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT YOU'RE DOING!
WHEEE!
わーい
NEXT, YOU'RE UP, EREN!!
THERE IT IS! MY PATENTED "CLEANSING DRIBBLE" ...!!
MEAN-WHILE
I THOUGHT THIS'D DE-VOLVE INTO A SLAP FIGHT IN NO TIME, BUT I GUESS THEY ACTUALLY CAN...
EREN AND JEAN ARE ACTUALLY COOPERAT-ING TO CLEAN THE WALL!!
AMAZ-ING!
BRUSH SACRIFICE BUNT!!
RIGHT !!
DOSHUUUSH


ZWHAM
...WORK TOGETH ...
IT SEEMED TOO GOOD TO LAST...
IT...
SLUMP
YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO GET LOST WHILE I FINISH UP!!
NOPE! THAT'S MY JOB!!
HEY! YOU DID THAT ON PURPOSE !!
HUH? I SHOULD BE SAYING THAT TO YOU!!

BOSS, LOOK! LOOK!
SEE?
FLUFFY PUSSYCAT!
しゃやSHWAAAHHH
わ～ん
LISTEN TO ME!! WE'RE NOT GETTING THE WALL CLEAN!!
Hm?
GOOD GIRL. HAVE A SNACK.
YAAAY!
わしし!
THERE?
Hm
...WE MAY NEVER BE ABLE TO GO THERE, YOU KNOW!!
YOU MAY BE HAVING FUN NOW, BUT IF WE DON'T HAVE ALL THREE OF US TOGETHER ...
YOU'RE AN IDIOT!!
I FIGURE THAT AS LONG AS THE BOSS IS PAYING ATTENTION TO ME, WHO REALLY CARES?

TH-THAT'S RIGHT!!
MUNCH
THIS IS NO TIME FOR DELICIOUS NUMMIES!!
VVUUM!
LET'S GO!!
GUH!
VWASH
SIGH...
I CAN'T FOOL YOU...
HUH?!
BOSS...?!
NOW DO YOU SEE, ISABEL?!
LEVI IS HERE TO CRUSH US SO HIS TEAM CAN WIN!

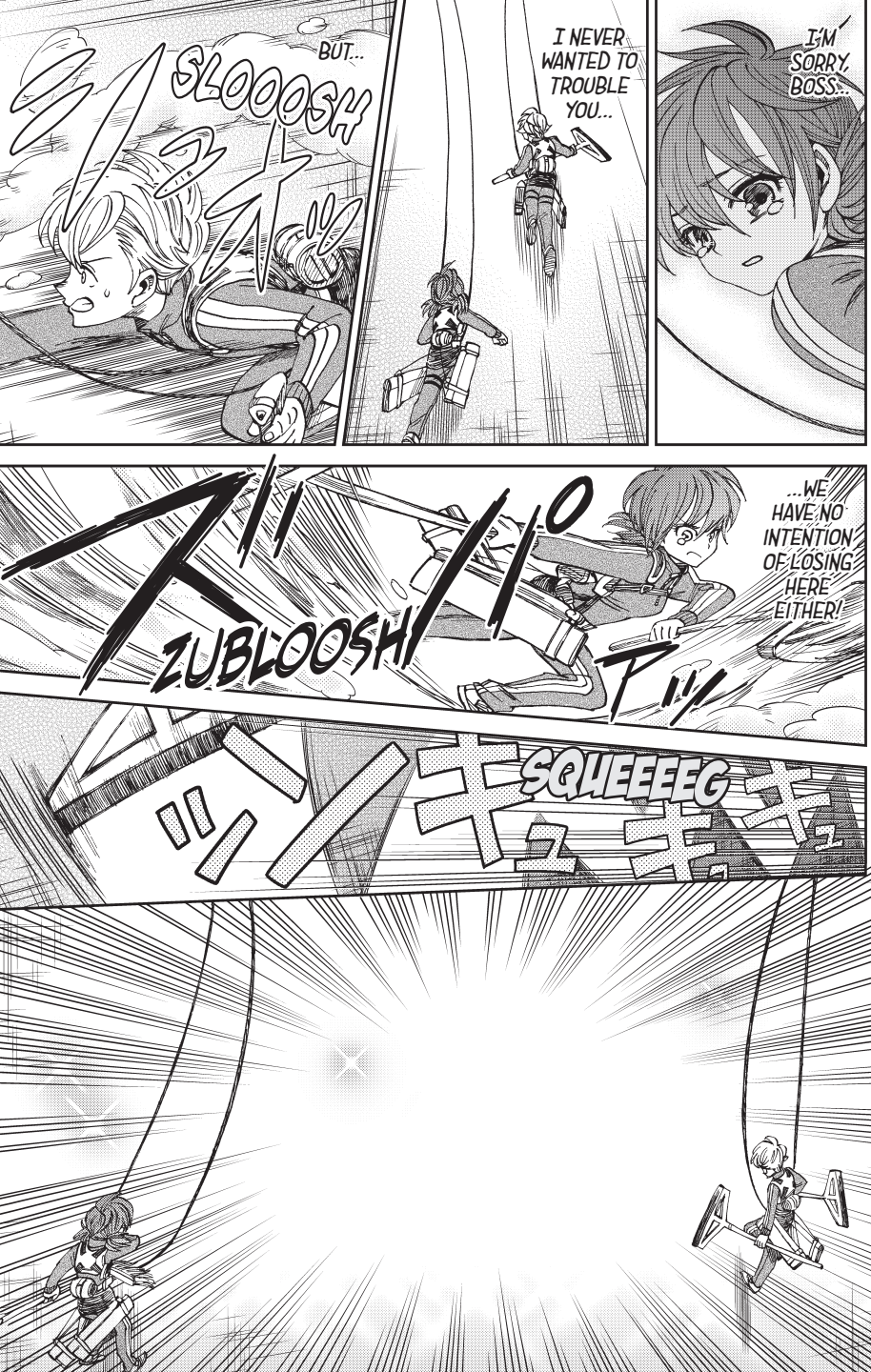
IF I DON'T HURRY, THEY'LL FINISH CLEANING THEIR WALL FIRST...
I GUESS THERE'S A PART OF ME THAT CAN'T SEE HIM AS AN ENEMY! HOW DO I GET IT BACK...?
KH! HERE I LET DOWN MY GUARD AND NOW HE'S GOT MY SQUEEGEE...!
NO...
YOU JUST WANT TO DO THE COOLEST PART!!
NO, YOU GLORY HOG!!
BOFF
CRACK
LIKE I SAID, I'M GOING TO FINISH THIS!!
YEAH, THAT'S EXACTLY RIGHT!!
VOOM
TWI
AH!
I'LL HAVE THAT BACK NOW!
WHAP
WELL, THERE'S NO DANGER OF THEM FINISHING ANYTIME SOON.

I-I'M SORRY, MR. LEVI...
HE'S BEEN GETTING IN THE WAY ALL THIS TIME...
NEVER MIND THAT...
YWAKOW
YOU TWO IDIOTS!
KERWHAM
JUST DO WHAT YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO DO!!
EREN, YOU'RE ON BRUSHING!
AND...
JEAN, YOU'RE ON DETERGENT!

...I'LL FINISH EVERYTHING OFF!
ZUBLAAASH
A FEW SECONDS AGO, THEY HADN'T FINISHED ANYTHING.
BUT THEN MR. LEVI CAME ALONG, AND NOW LOOK AT IT...!!
WE HAVE TO HURRY, ISABEL!!
BOSS... HE WAS DOING EVERYTHING HE COULD TO SLOW US...
SLOOSH
BUT NOW, WITH THOSE GUYS, HE SEEMS TO BE HAVING SO MUCH FUN...
SO IT'S TRUE...
HE DOESN'T CARE ABOUT US...
WAAAHH

KRAK
!!
SLIP
HUH?
S-SORRY.
I didn't do it on purpose.
...
Bwoah
WHAT IS WITH YOU?!
HERE YOU GET TO HAVE FUN CLEANING WITH THE BOSS...
...EVEN THOUGH YOUR EYE-BROWS LOOKS LIKE ...
...DEAD CAT-ERPIL-LARS !!!
!!
VWA4
WHA—?!
GLOOSSSHH

WH-WHAT WAS THAT ...?
BOTTLED COFFEE, THE GROSS-EST THING EVER IN-VENTED ?!
Café au Lait
YUCK!
びしゃ
BLETCH
I SPILLED THE PRE-CIOUS GIFT FROM THE BOSS...
YOU'RE BLAMING THAT ON ME?!
NOW LOOK, EREN, THE WALL'S DIRTY ALL OVER AGAIN!!
LET'S ROLL, EREN!! JEAN!!
WE'VE GOT TO HURRY, ISABEL!!
WAAAAHH!!
NOW THE BOSS HATES ME!!


I'M SORRY, BOSS...
I NEVER WANTED TO TROUBLE YOU...
BUT...
SLOOOSH
...WE HAVE NO INTENTION OF LOSING HERE EITHER!
ZUBLOOSH
SQUEEEEG

JEAN!
EREN!
W-WE'RE SORRY...
YOU BOTH DID WELL.
AHHH!!
ZUWAAAAAASH

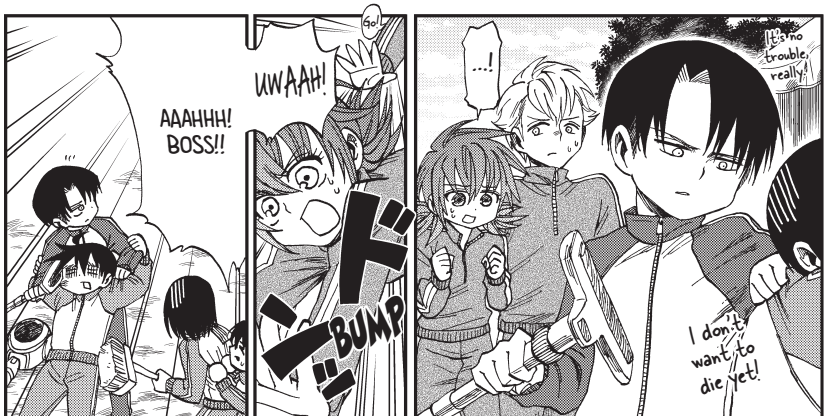
...THEY BOTH FINISHED CLEANING THEIR WALLS!!
IT'S A TIE!!
AT THE EXACT SAME TIME...
NO.
IN THE END, WE WEREN'T ANY HELP...
WE'RE SORRY, MR. LEVI...
...
YOU GOTTA BE KIDDING...
N-NO, LEVI, WHAT ARE YOU SAYING...
AH!
HUH?!
WE'RE THE WINNERS.

...GOT ON THE WALL...!!
ISABEL, THE COFFEE THAT WAS ON YOUR HAND...
ISABEL ...
...AND WE'LL NEVER BE A THREE-SOME AGAIN...
...AND THE BOSS HATES ME...
WE LOST THE MATCH...
N...
NO WAY...
THANK YOU.
SNIFF-
B... URK! BOSS...
SNIFF... SNIFF...
WHAT?
GRIMP
DO I HAVE TO DO EVERY-THING FOR YOU?

AND...
The 104th WALL BEAUTIFICATION COMPETITION
In Attack District 108 Jr. High
SO THE CURTAIN CLOSED ON THE BATTLE BETWEEN ATTACK AND DISTRICT 2 JR. HIGHS.

...ATTACK JR. HIGH WAS DISQUALIFIED FOR NOT HAVING ENOUGH MEMBERS ON THE WALL.
BUT WHY?!
WHAT'S WRONG WITH HAVING FEWER MEMBERS?!
You're still out.
CONTEST REP
AND WHY DIDN'T YOU SAY SO FIRST THING?!

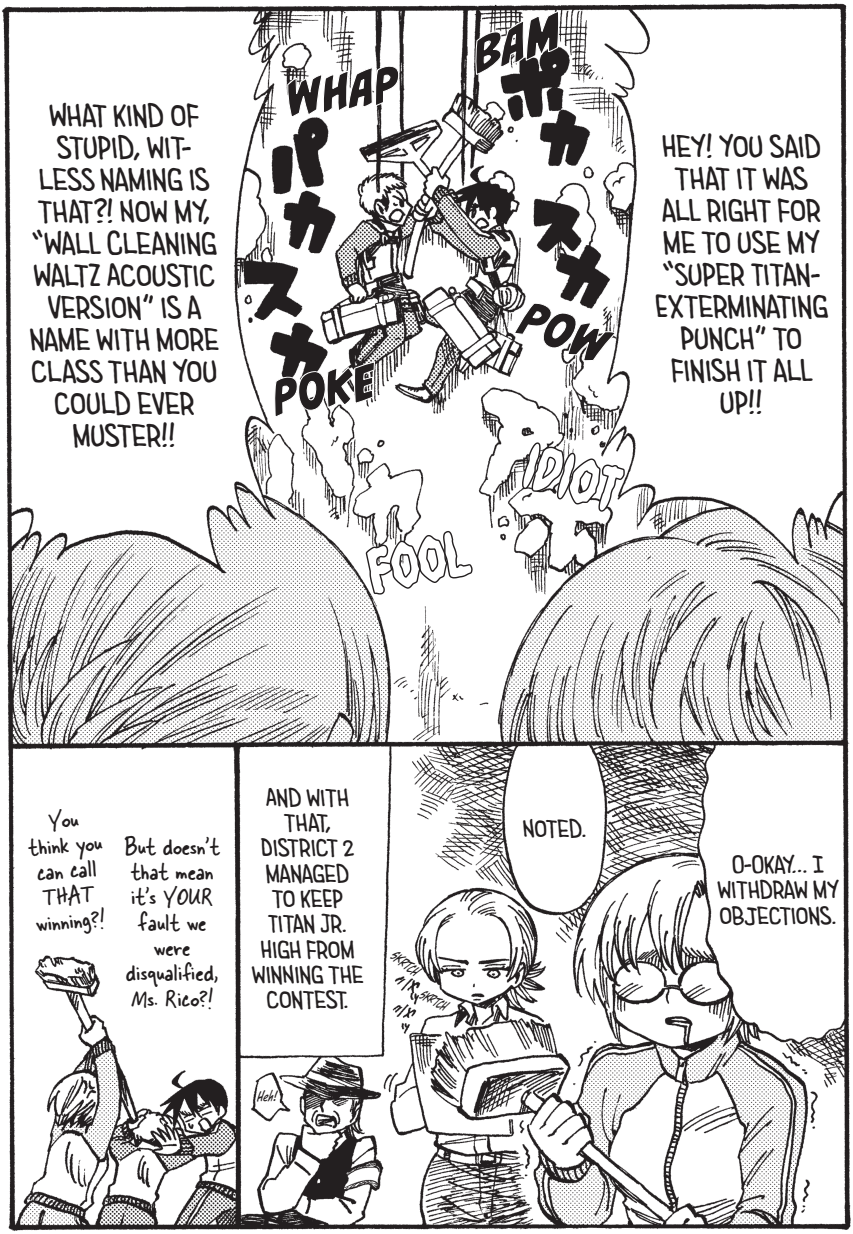
I AM LEFT UNSATISFIED WITH HOW THIS ENDED.
HOW ABOUT I CUT OPEN YOUR SKULLS AND WASH OUT YOUR BRAINS?
NOOOOO!
HEADQUARTERS
EREN, JEAN...


AAAHHH! BOSS!!
UWAAH!
Go!
ドン
BUMP
...!
It's no trouble, really!
I don't want to die yet!

WHAT WAS THAT ABOUT?
BY HABIT
I'M SORRY FOR HAVING BOTHERED YOU!!
PUNNCH
SHE
BUT IT TURNED OUT ALL WRONG!
SO WE NEEDED SOME KIND OF EXCUSE TO ASK.
BUT WE DIDN'T KNOW WHETHER YOU'D LIKE IT OR NOT.
THERE WAS A PLACE ...
...WE WANTED TO GO WITH YOU, BOSS!
HE DOESN'T NEED TO TRANSFER FOR THAT, DOES HE?
ATTACK ON
ATTACK ON TITAN SUPER FUN (NOW PLAYING)
...
YOU GET A DISCOUNT TO THIS SCREENING IF YOU BUY THREE!
...MANAGED TO BUY THEIR EXTRA GROUP DISCOUNT TICKETS FOR A MOVIE.
OKAY.
I'M SORRY!
AND SO THE THREE OF THEM...

SCRUB SCRUB BONUS MANGA
WHERE DID MS. RICO GO?
DURING THE WALL BEAUTIFICATION COMPETITION, WHILE EREN AND JEAN WERE CLEANING, AND ARMIN AND THE OTHERS WERE ALL WATCHING...
...MS. RICO, WHO SEEMED ALL FIRED UP ABOUT THE CONTEST, SEEMED TO HAVE DISAPPEARED.
BAM
WAIT! THAT'S NOT FAIR!!
THE WHOLE REASON THAT ARMIN AND CONNIE CAN'T PARTICIPATE IS BECAUSE THAT COUPLE FROM DISTRICT 2 STOLE THEIR VERTICAL MANEUVERING GEAR!
SO I THINK IT'S STRANGE THAT YOU PUNISH US BY SAYING WE'RE DISQUALIFIED FOR HAVING TOO FEW PEOPLE!
NOT AT ALL.

BUT IT'S STILL NO FAIR!
WHAT ABOUT DISTRICT 2'S TEAM?!
CONTEST REFEREE
THERE'S NOTHING STRANGE.
JUST LOOK AT THE RULES.
...LIES WITH WE JUDGES.
BUT THE REASON FOR THAT...
SKRRT
NOR-MALLY, YES.
OF THE TWO OF US, WE'RE THE ONES CLOSER TO KEEPING TO THE RULES!!
YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO HAVE FIVE PEOPLE ON A TEAM, BUT THEY ONLY EVER HAD TWO!
THEY'RE DOING EVERYTHING THEY CAN TO FINISH OFF THE CLEANING, NOT REAL-IZING THAT SOME RULE PREVENTS THEM!!
PLEASE! JUST ALLOW THESE MEM-BERS TO COMPETE!!
GLEEN
SO ALL YOU HAVE TO DO...
...IS REDUCE THE MEMBERS OF THE TITAN JR. HIGH TEAM TO TWO MEMBERS, AND IT'LL BE FINE.


WHAT KIND OF STUPID, WITLESS NAMING IS THAT?! NOW MY, "WALL CLEANING WALTZ ACOUSTIC VERSION" IS A NAME WITH MORE CLASS THAN YOU COULD EVER MUSTER!!
WHAP
パカ
スカ
BAM
ポカ
スカ
POW
POK
FOOL
IDIOT
HEY! YOU SAID THAT IT WAS ALL RIGHT FOR ME TO USE MY "SUPER TITAN-EXTERMINATING PUNCH" TO FINISH IT ALL UP!!
You think you can call THAT winning?!
But doesn't that mean it's YOUR fault we were disqualified, Ms. Rico?!
AND WITH THAT, DISTRICT 2 MANAGED TO KEEP TITAN JR. HIGH FROM WINNING THE CONTEST.
Heh!
NOTED.
SKETCH
O-OKAY... I WITHDRAW MY OBJECTIONS.

WHY IS THIS HERE?

AFTER THE CULTURE FAIR

READ THE MAIN STORY FIRST!!

HUH?
HEY, GUYS! WE SHOULD USE THE BAND TO MAKE MONEY!
BUT...
I MEAN, YOU HEARD, RIGHT? IN JUST ONE DAY AT THE FESTIVAL, THEY SOLD TENS OF THOUSANDS OF YEN IN BAND SOUVENIRS!
*Hundreds of dollars.
BLAM
...WE DIDN'T SEE A DIME OF THAT MONEY!!
I POURED MY OWN FOOD AND RENT MONEY INTO MAKING THIS BAND...
Guitar rental, costumes, bribes...
SO I WAS THINKING, IF WE MADE OFFICIAL BAND MERCHANDISE...
...AND SKIMMED A BIT OFF THE TOP, WOULD THAT BE SO WRONG?
CLATA
HUH?
NO NAME IS NO MORE.

Translation Notes:

Page 17, Challenge menu

This is a common type of business promotion for inexpensive mom-and-pop-style restaurants all over Japan (chain restaurants and expensive restaurants generally avoid this kind of promotion). The general idea is that the customer is given some amount of food that would normally be impossible for a single person to eat in a sitting, and is given a short time, such as thirty minutes, to eat it. If the customer is able to eat everything served, then the massive meal is free. If the customer is unable to eat it all, then the customer must pay full price for the food. Examples of real-life challenge menus include eating 2 kg (nearly 5 pounds) of curry and rice in 20 minutes; eating a seven-person serving of pasta in 30 minutes; and eating ten bowls of ramen in an hour.

Page 18, Fashionable pancake restaurant

In Japan, pancake restaurants are foreign food. Far from being low-priced filling breakfast eateries, pancake restaurants are presented as classy European-styled bistros catering generally to a female clientele. Considering that most of the Challenge Menu challengers are men, it makes sense that pancake restaurants in Japan do not often use this method of promotion very often.

Page 23, Wei Ting for Si Ting

Whereas most western Chinese food restaurants sport names using terms like "Golden" or "Dragon" or the names of famous Chinese cities, Japanese Chinese restaurants tend to use names made up of two or four *kanji*. Usually they are fortuitous *kanji* such as "luck," or "prosperity." But in this case, the four *kanji* spell out, "All Chinese, All Seats Filled," which we translated somewhat insensitively as "Wei Ting for Si Ting."

Page 34, Culture festival

In Japan, most schools have a fair in which nearly every homeroom and club find something to sell or exhibit for the day. In most cases, they choose some kind of food or restaurant theme and sell snacks that are popular in other kinds of fairs and festivals throughout Japan. Others put on plays or demonstrations, still more have midway-style games or exhibits. Although most classes and clubs sell something, the entire fair is more of a social event than an attempt to make money.

Page 139, Campaign posters

In Japan, there are specific places where one can post election posters. Usually, in communities, there are specific boards with a number of open spaces (marked with a number) just the same size as an average-sized election poster. That is the designated place for each candidate to place his or her own election poster. Since Oluo's posters cover the entire poster area, we can assume that school election posters are not quite as regulated as general election posters.

Page 176, Roll cakes

As the name suggests, a roll cake is rolled. They have a layer of sponge cake and a layer of sweet whipped cream, and it is rolled into a circular cake that looks like a spiral when cut. The diameter tends to run from about 5cm to a little over 10 cm (from about two inches to a little over four inches). Like donuts, the sweet sponge cake and whipped cream make roll cakes unusually sweet for Japanese tastes (which tend toward less sweet items).

Page 184, Be-Bop Junior High

Due to the immense popularity of a manga/anime/live action/video game series called Be-Bop High School, the musical style bebop has been forever associated in Japanese minds with young toughs and punk-style violence. The manga series not only produced an OAV (original animation video) series and a popular video game, but also seven live-action movies in the late '80s and early '90s. It also saw a revival in a live-action TV series in the mid-2000s. The manga itself was a long-time bestseller, running from 1983-2003.

Page 209, Pucker

In Japanese, the sound of a kiss is *chu*, and the sound of a sparrow call is *chun*. The close sound and the way a person's lips pucker up when one says *chu* or *chun* makes Bertolt think of a kiss rather than a birdcall. Of course, since in English-language areas, the birds say, "cheep," "chirp," or "tweet," none of those would remind an English-language speaker of a kiss. So we hope that "pucker" lets you know what Bertolt was so excited over.

Page 209, Splurt

A nosebleed in Japan is indicative of a sexually immature boy getting excited. It is such a well-used (overused?) trope that the manga didn't even see a need to illustrate it directly. It just showed a black splotch coming from the bottom of the panel, and the classic Japanese sound effect for the action, *dopiii*.

Page 231, Ordinary cooking

A fish, miso soup and rice is about as average and ordinary a meal in Japan as bread, meat and potatoes is in most Western countries. In this case, it's like going to a demonstration of cooking prowess, and only seeing them make the same thing you eat at home every single day.

Page 232, Western food

As opposed to "ordinary cooking" mentioned above, Western-style food is considered a bit of a treat, like certain ethnic foods in Western countries. Since most Japanese people who cook are mostly familiar with Japanese cuisine, Japanese people who are good cooks of Western cuisine are rare, so a good Western meal is looked forward to with anticipation.

Page 251, *Harisen*

As mentioned in the notes for Volume 1, a *harisen* is a folded paper (or sometimes metal) fan that is used to punish lazy students or others in a position lower than oneself. The folded nature lessens the impact, but it still hurts.

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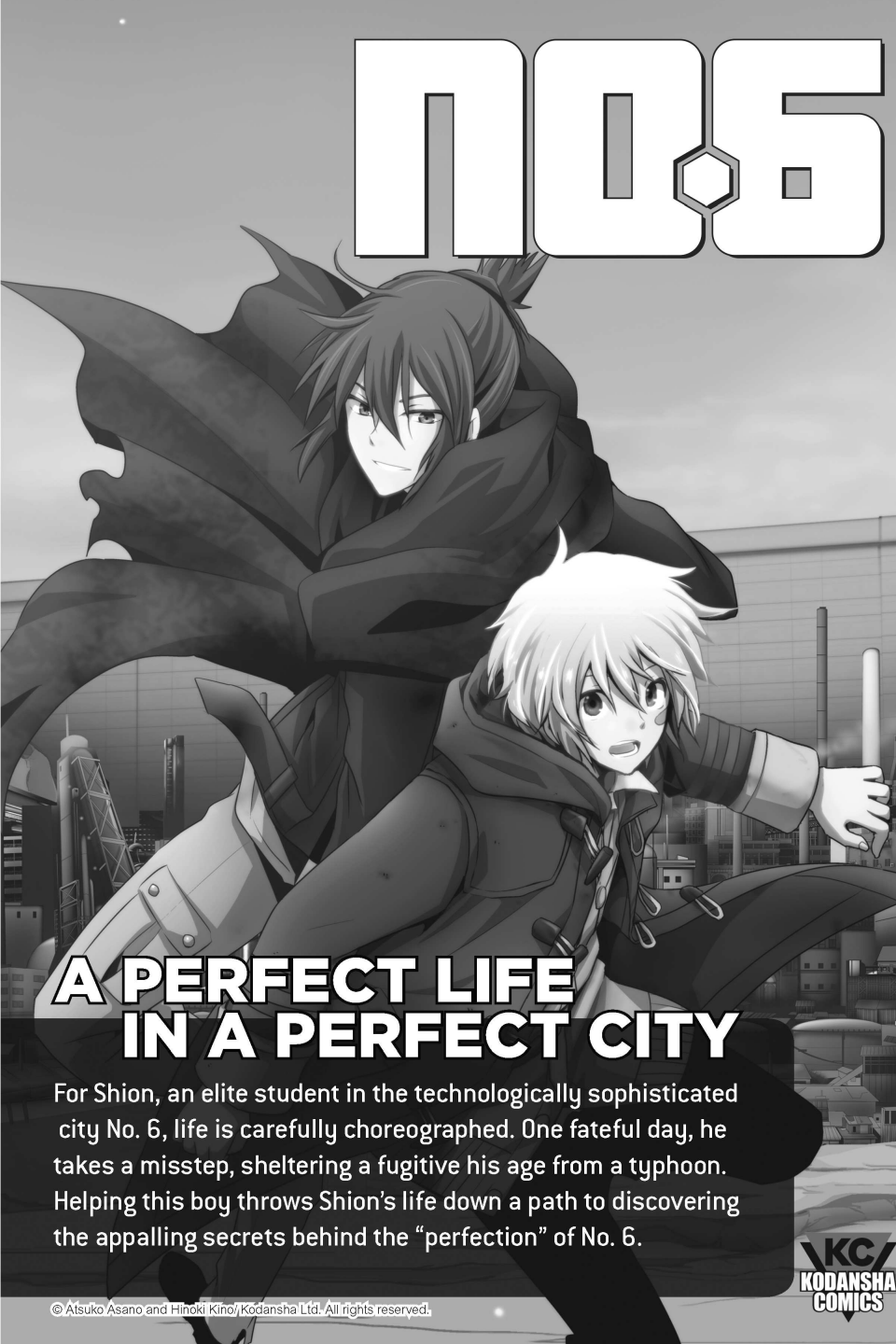

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